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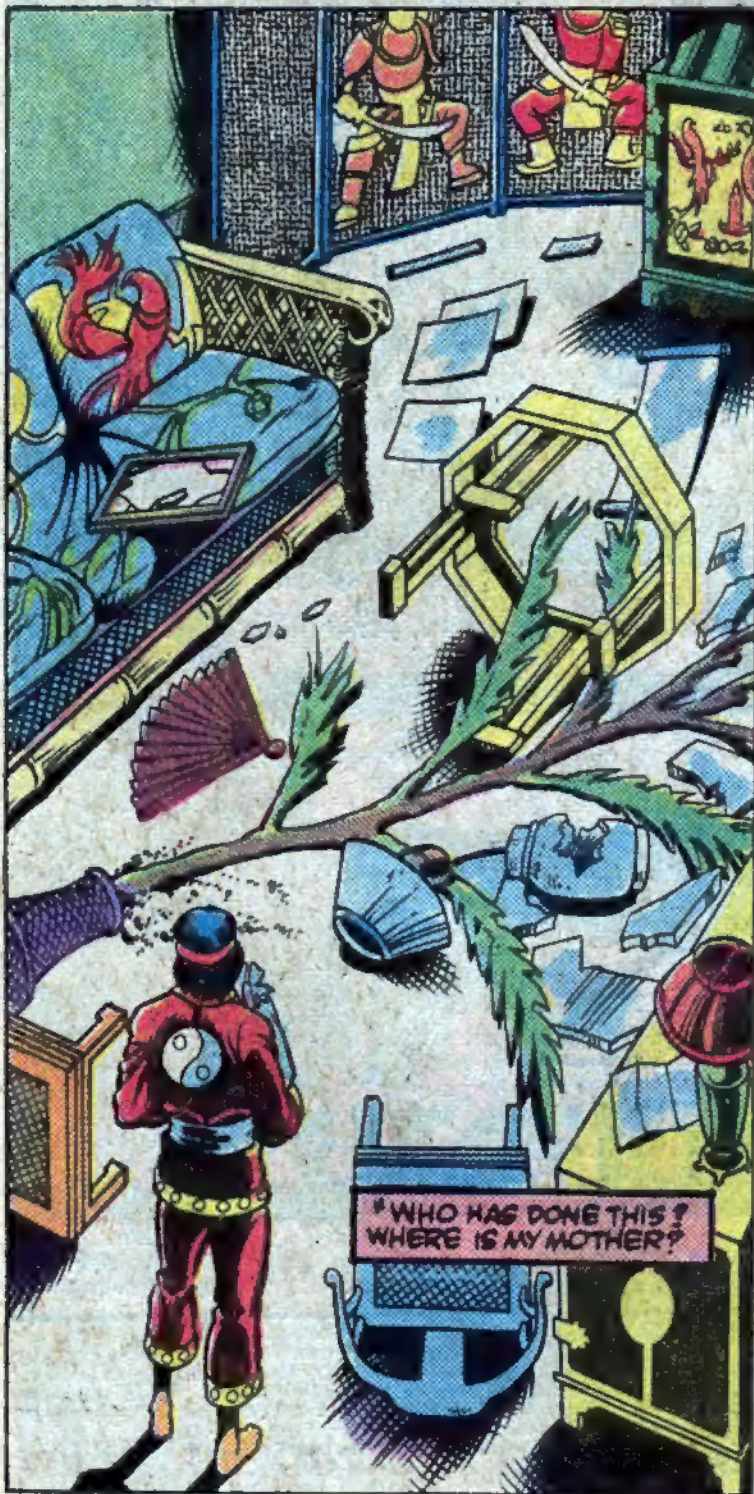


"MY COMING WAS TO BE LUCKY WITH ORANGES."

"IT IS NOT."

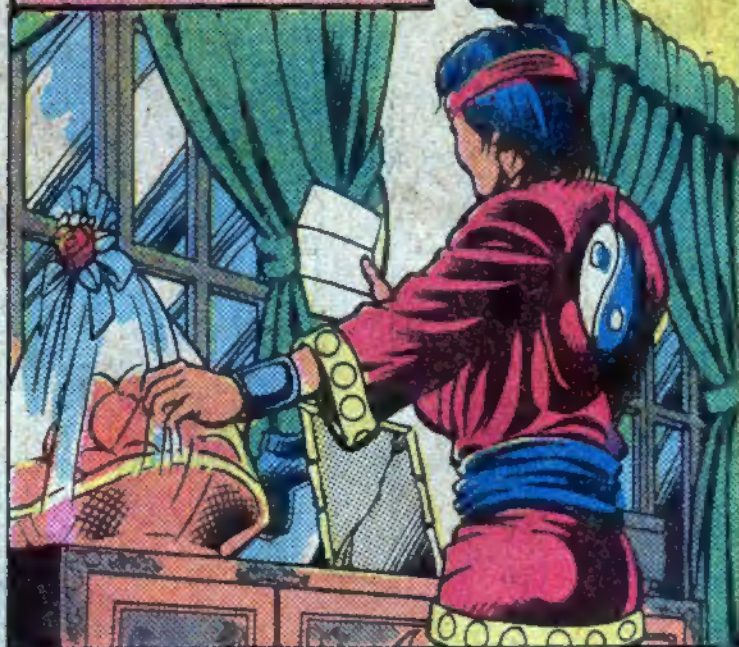


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"WHO HAS DONE THIS? WHERE IS MY MOTHER?"

"MY LETTER LIES ATOP THE LACQUERED CABINET..."



"AND BESIDE IT, AN OLD PHOTOGRAPH."



"THE GLASS IS CRACKED BETWEEN THE LONG AGO IMAGES OF MYSELF AND MY FATHER, FU MANCHU, BETWEEN SLAYER AND SLAIN. THE SUDDEN MEMORY PRICKS LIKE A SHARP NEEDLE."

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AN OCEAN, FREELANCE
RESTORATIONS IN SCOTLAND...

SHANG-CHI'S
TELEGRAMMED
FROM NEW YORK
BLACK JACK. HOW
LONG DO YOU
THINK HE'LL
BE GONE?



LOOK, YOU QUIT
WORRYIN'. WU, THE
CHINAMAN'LL BE
BACK IN NO TIME,
ALWAYS HAS.



"TIGHTEN THE MIND...
EXCLUDE ALL EXTRANEIOUS
THOUGHTS..."



"SOMEONE
IS HERE..."

"A GI-FAN!"



"YIN TO MY
YANG--"

"ONE OF THE BLOOD-
CRAZED ASSASSINING
WHO SERVED MY
FATHER WHILE HE
LIVED"



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TAKEN MY MOTHER,
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"I BLOCK THE
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SHIFT MY WEIGHT, KICK!

"SHIFT--

POW!

THUNK!

"... KICK!

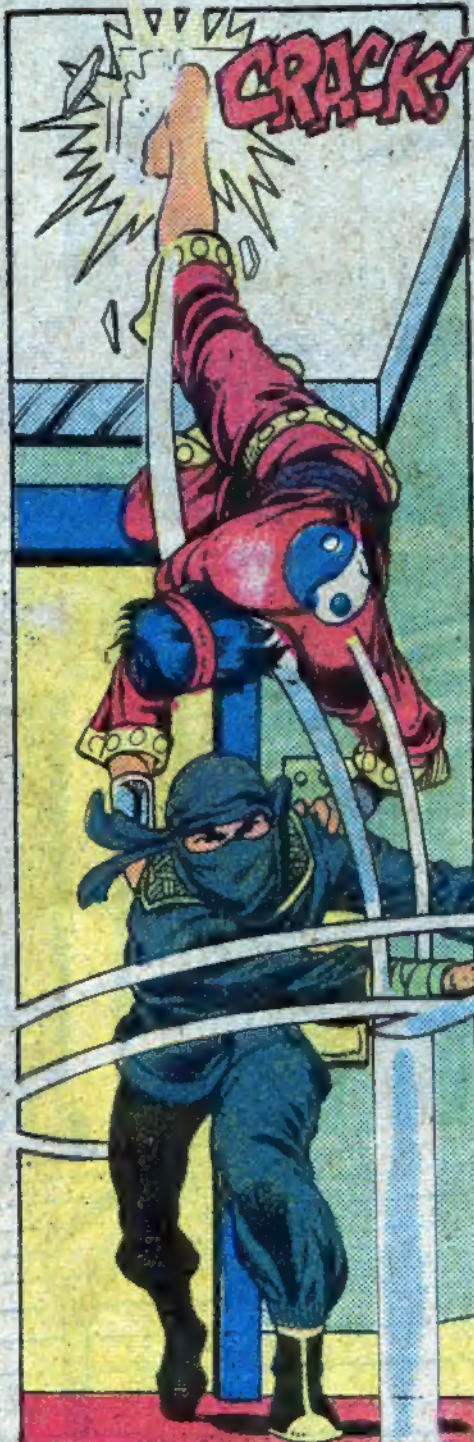
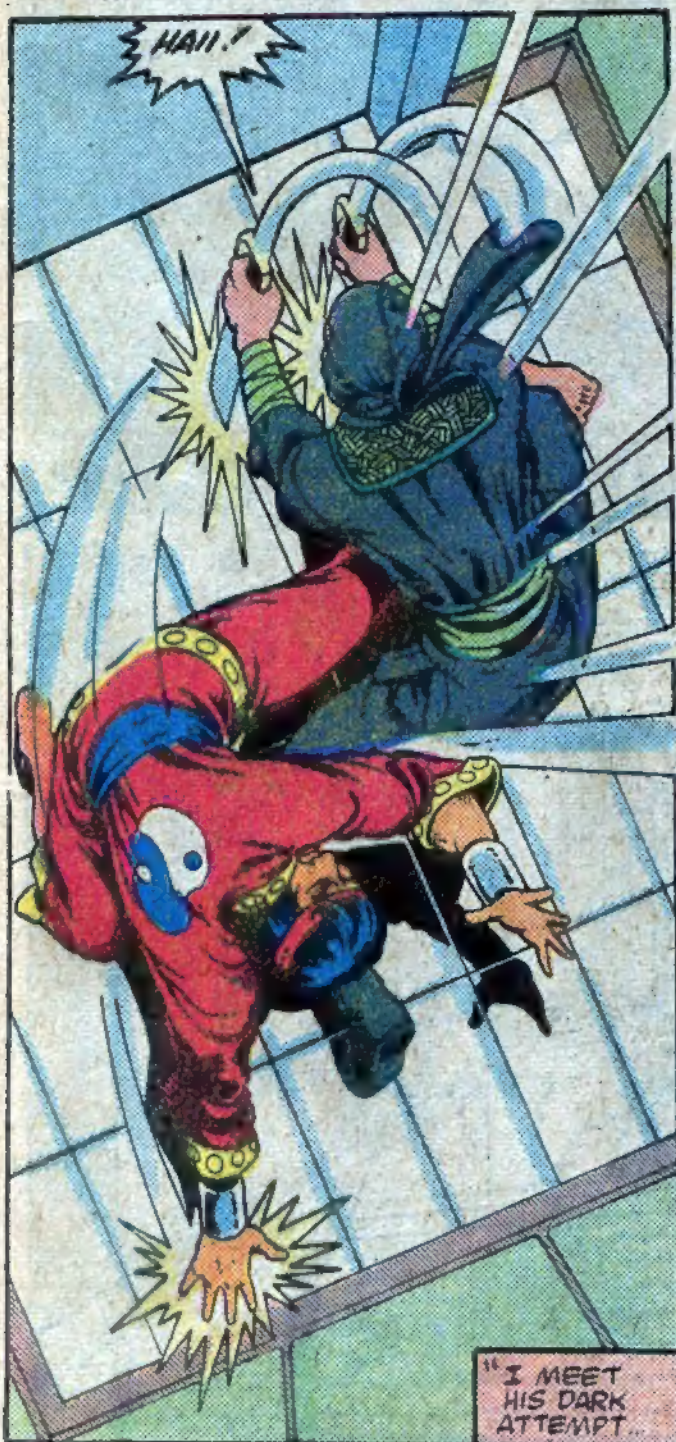
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OF THE RAZOR-EDGED
BLADE. HE SEEKS ONLY DEATH.

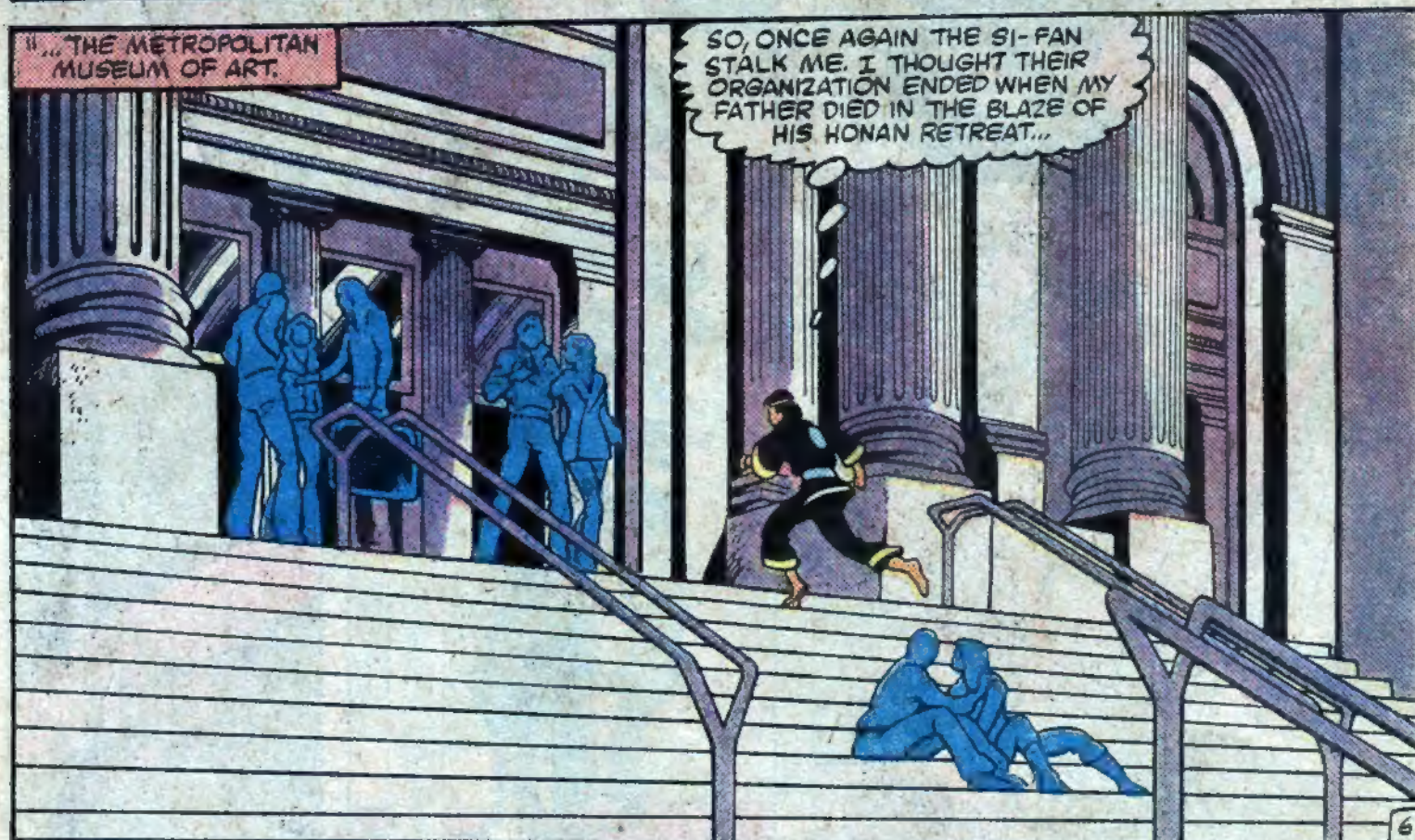
CRASH!

"HE FALLS, WITH A
GIFT OF ORANGES,
TO THE STREET
FAR BELOW.

THAT RED LIGHT--

...LEAVE YOUR NAME AND
NUMBER AND I WILL RETURN
YOUR CALL-- BEEP--
RESERVATIONS CONFIRMED
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"... BUT IT SEEMS THAT A RENEGADE CAMPAIGN OF FANATICAL KILLING GOES ON."

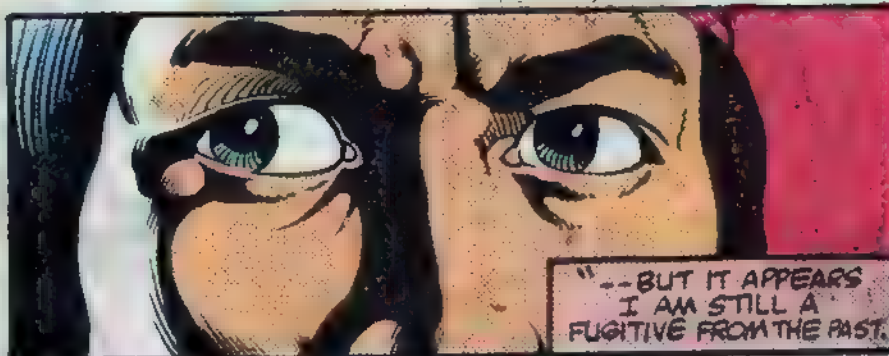
SHADOW TO SHADOW,
BROTHERS, WE WILL YET
AVENGE FU MANCHU
WITH THE WEAPONS
OF ANCIENT TRADITION.

THEN THE RED
BLOOD OF HIS DOG-
SON WILL BE OF-
FERED UP TO THE
SACRED SPIRIT OF
THE CELESTIAL
ONE.

"HERE IN THE SHADOWS I FIND NO SIGN OF MY MOTHER,
BUT I PAUSE AMONG WARRIORS WHO HAVE AT LAST
DISCOVERED TRUE PEACE AND SERENITY, AND ENVY CRAWLS
ACROSS MY THOUGHTS LIKE A GREEN WORM.

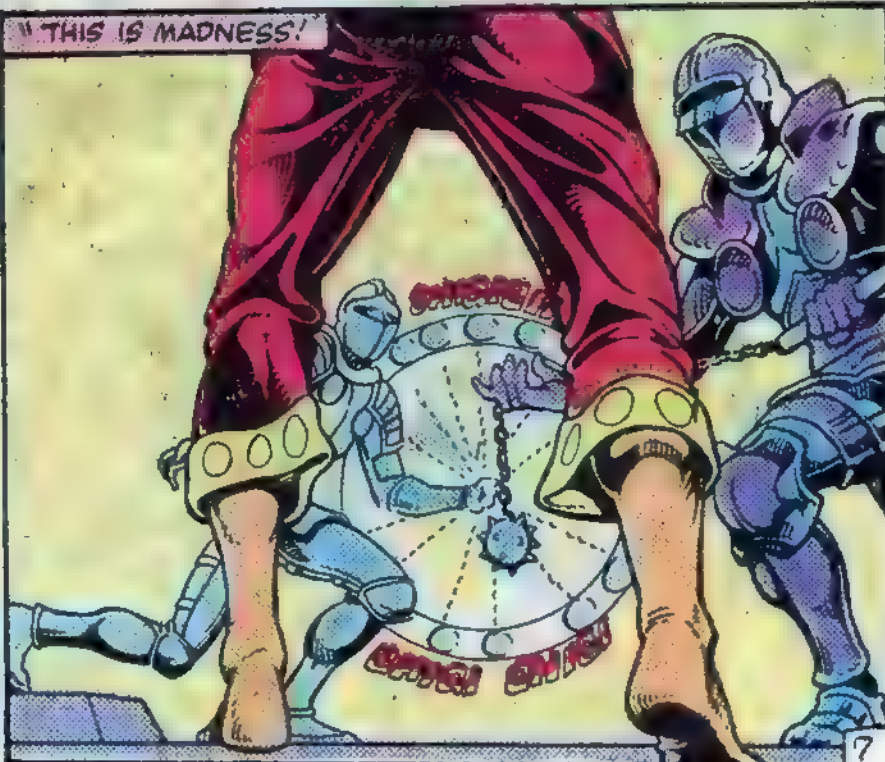


"I HAVE COME TO NEW YORK AS
A WANDERER INTO THE FUTURE--

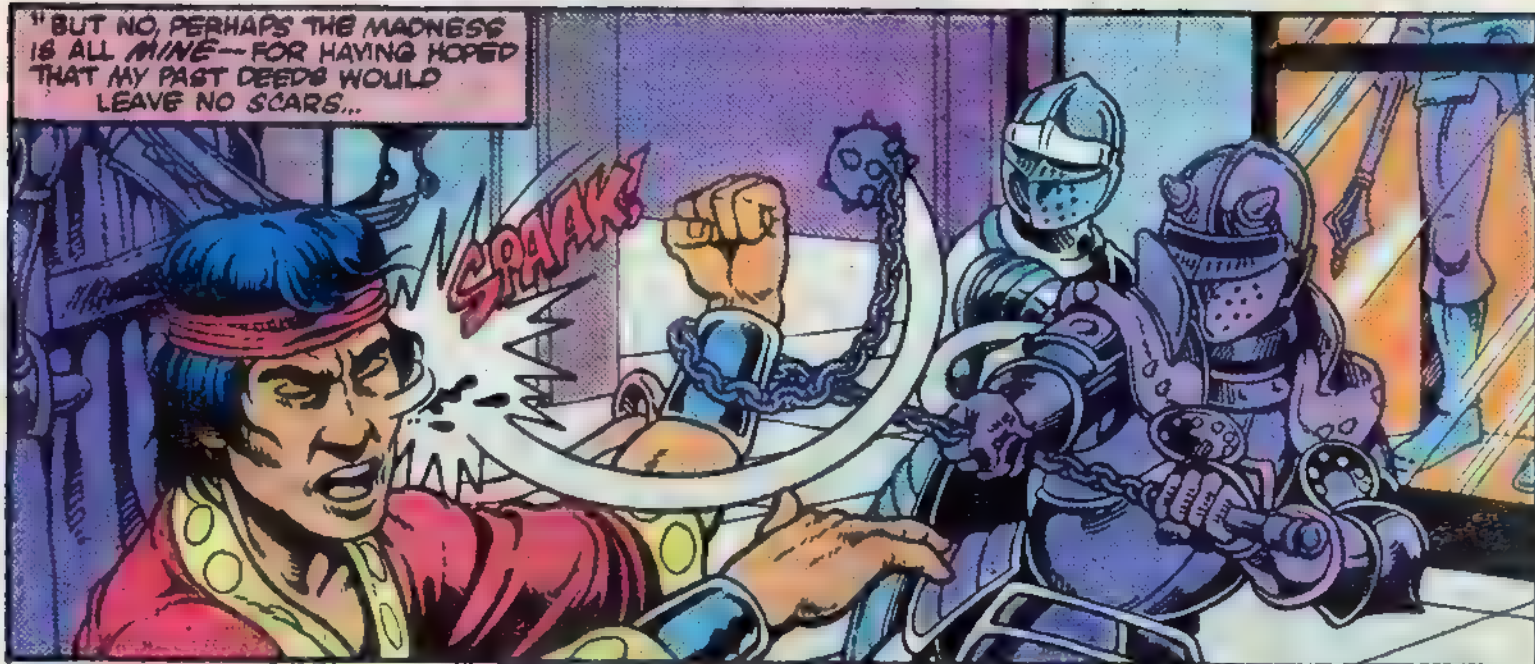


"--BUT IT APPEARS
I AM STILL A
FUGITIVE FROM THE PAST.

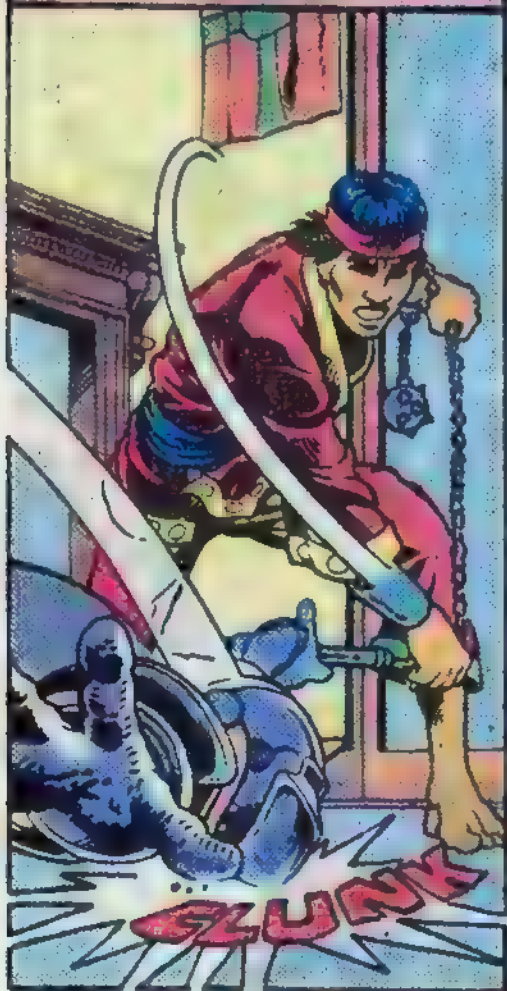
"THIS IS MADNESS!"



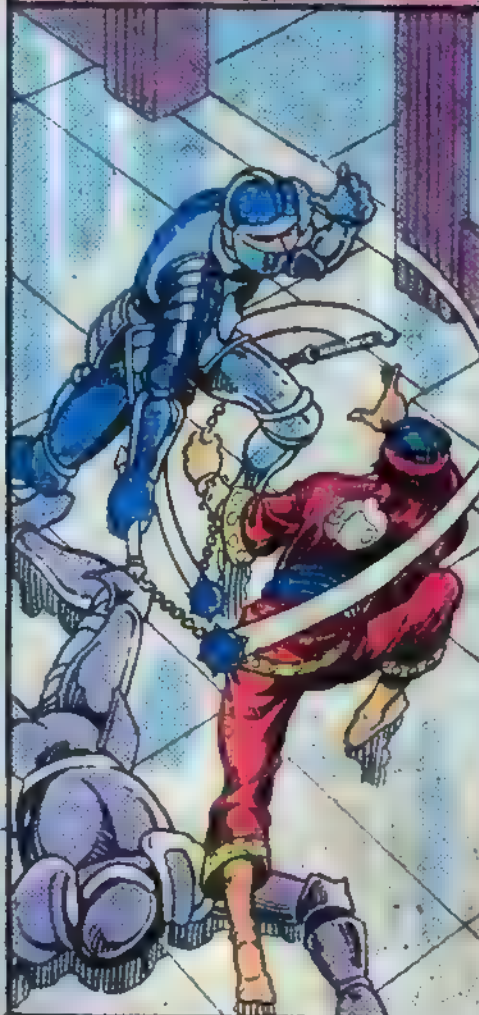
"BUT NO, PERHAPS THE MADNESS IS ALL MINE--FOR HAVING HOPED THAT MY PAST DEEDS WOULD LEAVE NO SCARS...



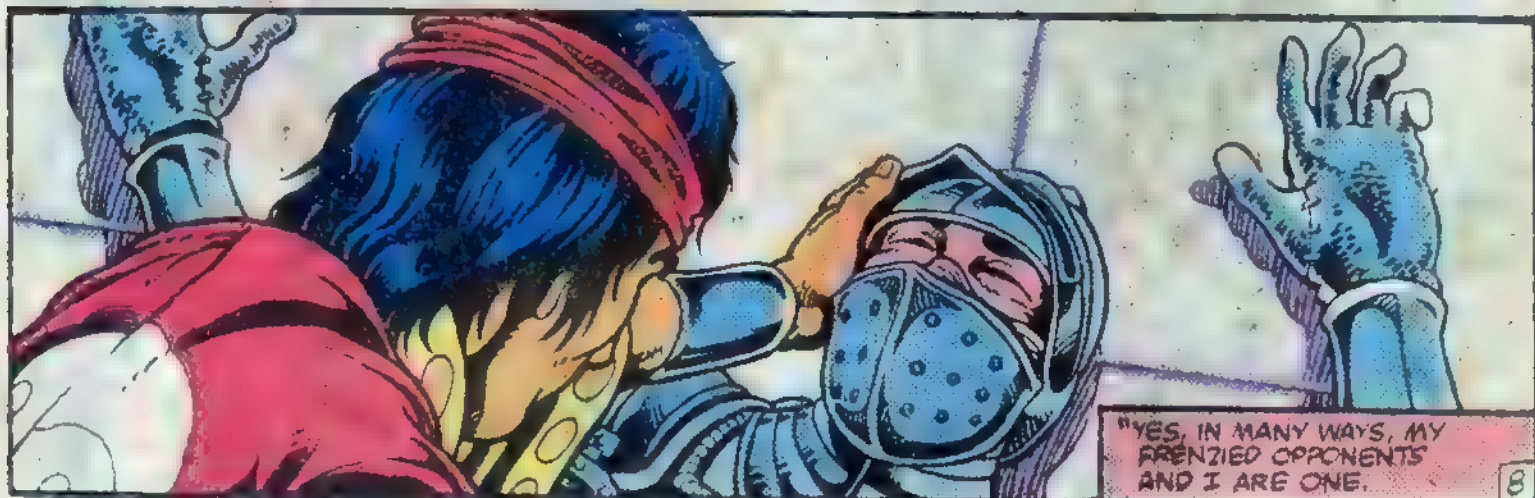
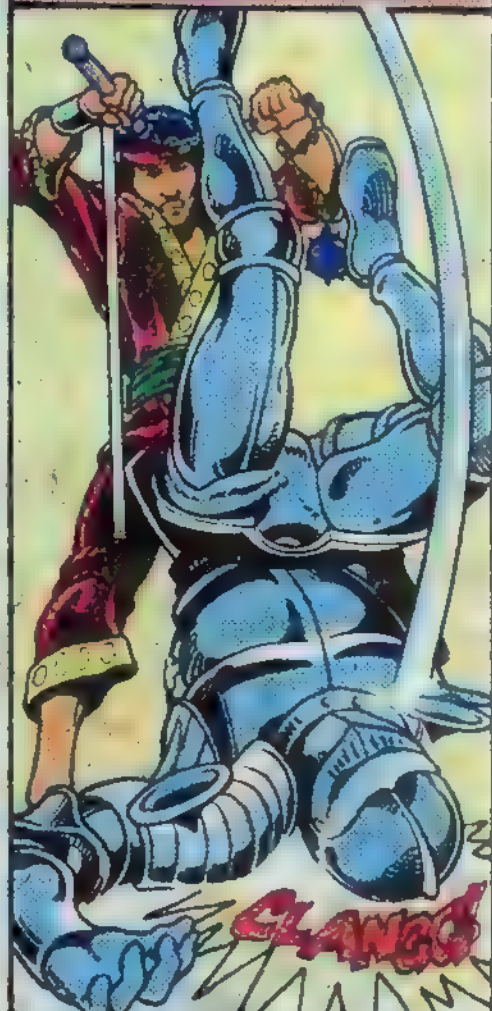
"...FOR PRESUMING THAT I HAD GROWN BEYOND INNER TURMOIL AND PASSION...



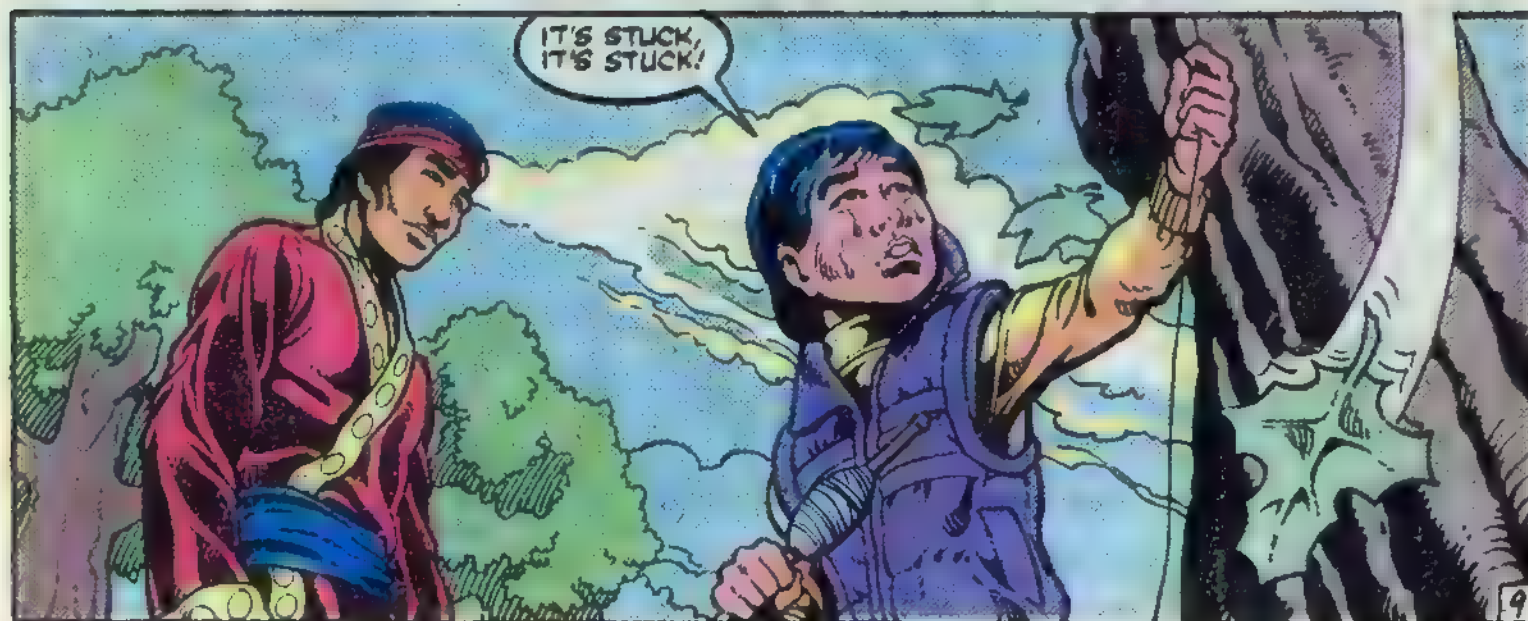
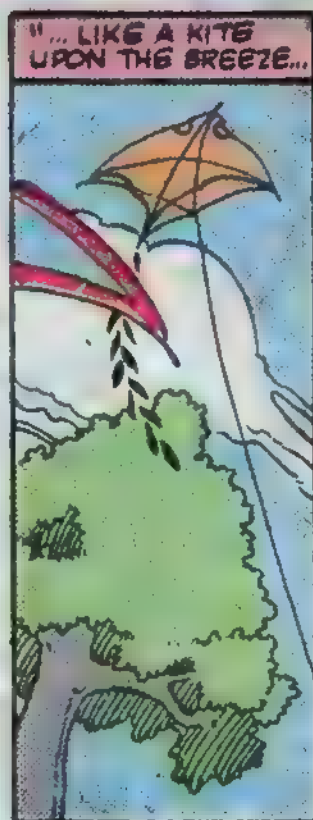
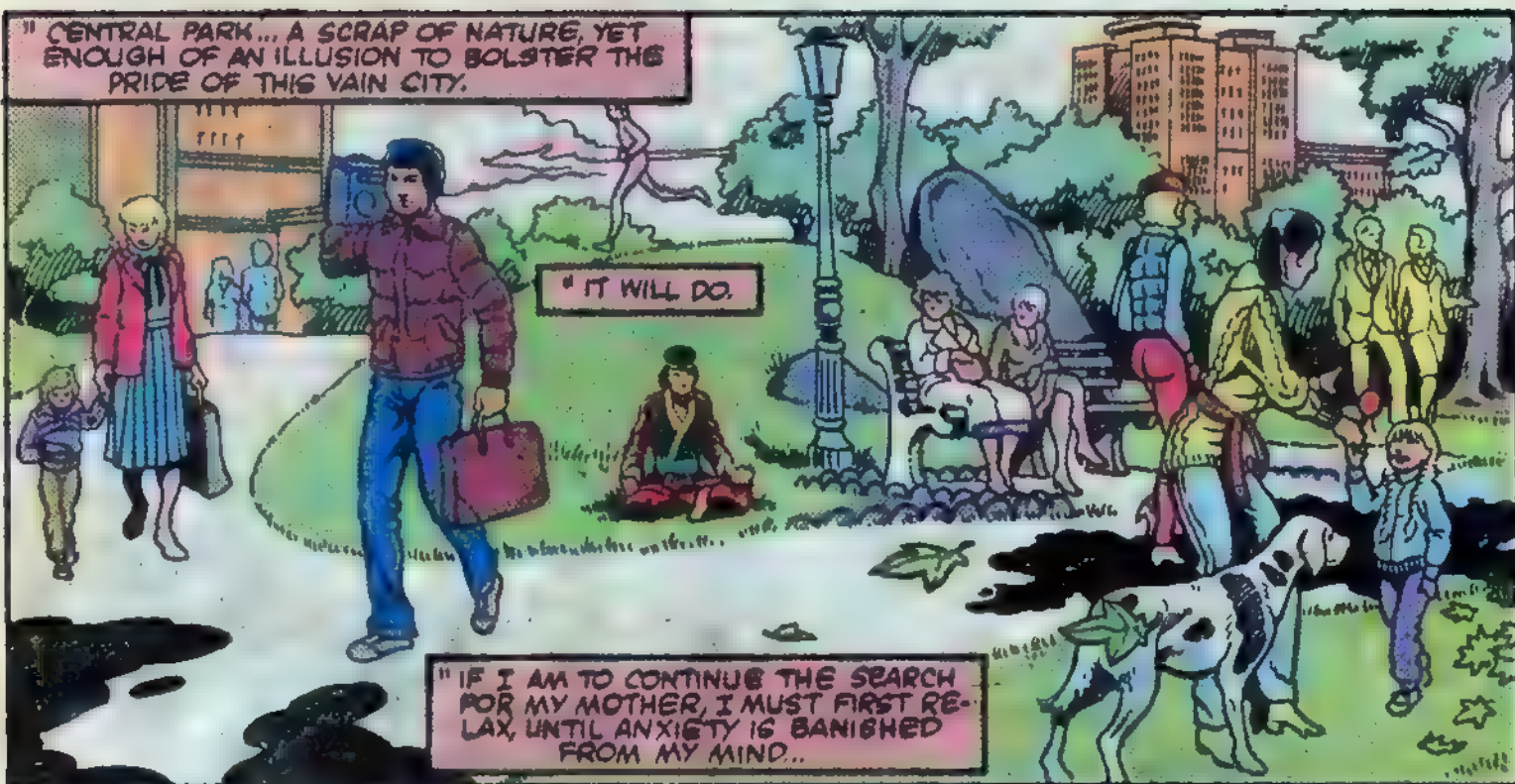
"...GROWN ANY MORE THAN THESE METAL-CLAD DEMONS...



"...SPRIT-SONS SERVING THE UNHOLY GHOST OF MY FATHER.



"YES, IN MANY WAYS, MY FRENZIED OPPONENTS AND I ARE ONE.



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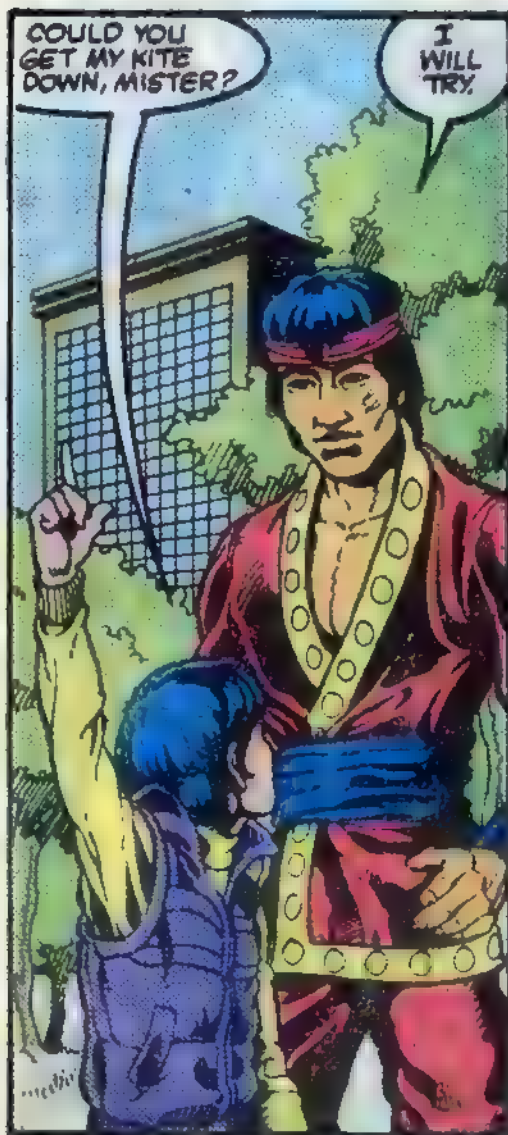
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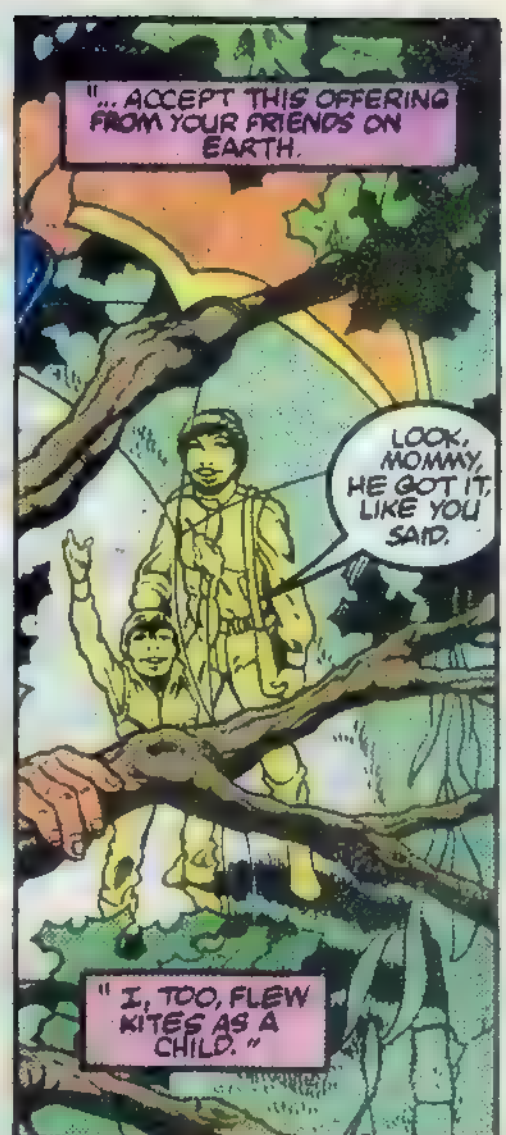
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GET MY KITE
DOWN, MISTER?

I
WILL
TRY.



" I WILL TRY.

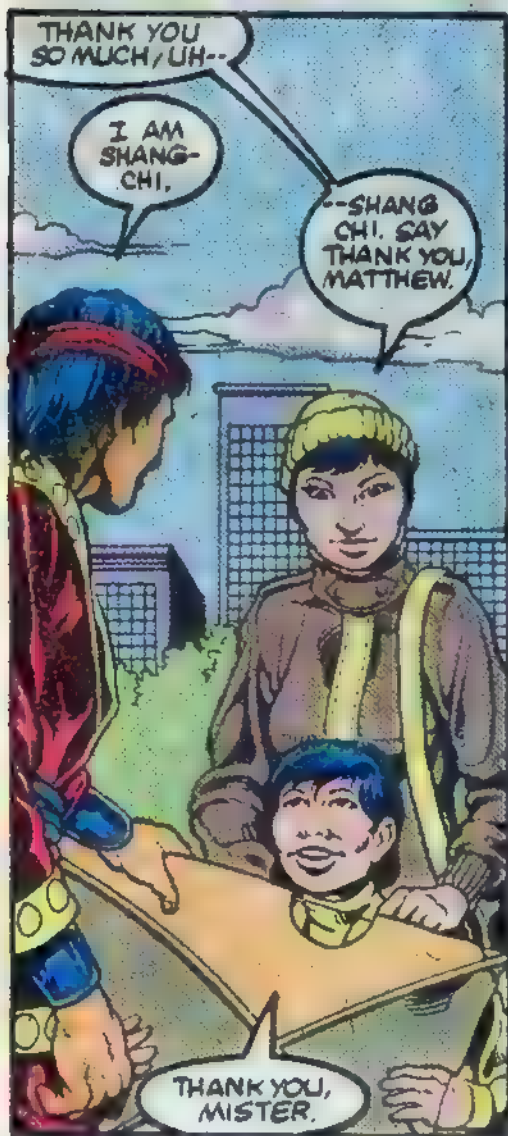
-- GUARDIAN DRAGON
EMPEROR OF THE
HEAVENS...



"... ACCEPT THIS OFFERING
FROM YOUR FRIENDS ON
EARTH.

LOOK,
MOMMY,
HE GOT IT,
LIKE YOU
SAID.

" I, TOO, FLEW
KITES AS A
CHILD. "



THANK YOU
SO MUCH, UH--

I AM
SHANG-
CHI.

--SHANG
CHI. SAY
THANK YOU,
MATTHEW.

THANK YOU,
MISTER.



OH, I'M S'RRY,
DID THE TREE
DO THAT?

NO. I WAS
SEEKING
SOMEONE
EARLIER.

IF YOU DON'T
MIND A STRANGER'S
SAYING SO-- YOU
LOOK ZONKED, MR.
SHANGI-CHI.

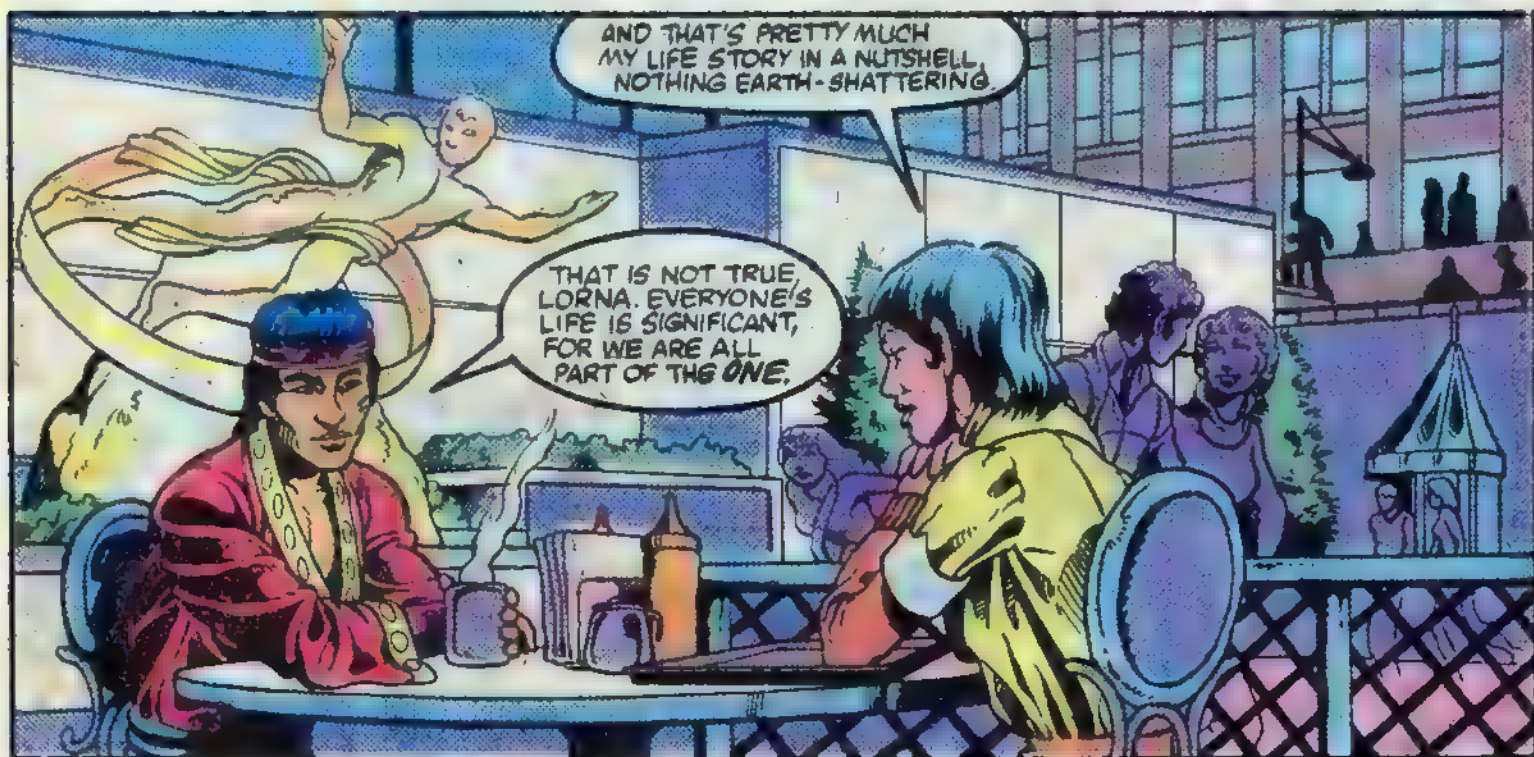
LISTEN, I'M A
WAITRESS. COME WITH ME
AND YOU CAN ORDER ANYTHING
ON THE MENU. TREATS ON ME
FOR RESCUING MATTHEW'S KITE.



YOU ARE
VERY KIND,
AND YOU
HAVE A
FINE SON.

OH, HE'S A GOOD
BOY, WHICH REMINDS
ME-- I'VE GOT A
SITTER WAITING TO
PICK HIM UP AT THE
COFFEE SHOP. HOPE
YOU DON'T MIND A
BRISK WALK.

" SHE APPEARS TO BE
A LOVING MOTHER. "



AND THAT'S PRETTY MUCH
MY LIFE STORY IN A NUTSHELL,
NOTHING EARTH-SHATTERING.

THAT IS NOT TRUE
LORNA. EVERYONE'S
LIFE IS SIGNIFICANT,
FOR WE ARE ALL
PART OF THE ONE.



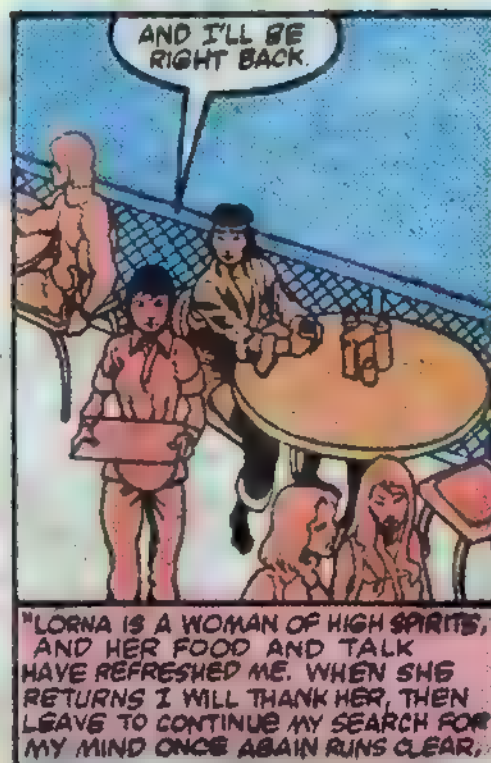
THE BIG TAO, EH?
WELL, ONE THING'S
FOR SURE, SHANG-
CHI -- AT LEAST
YOU TALK LIKE
YOU DRESS.

TRUE,
BUT
I MUST
LEAVE
NOW--



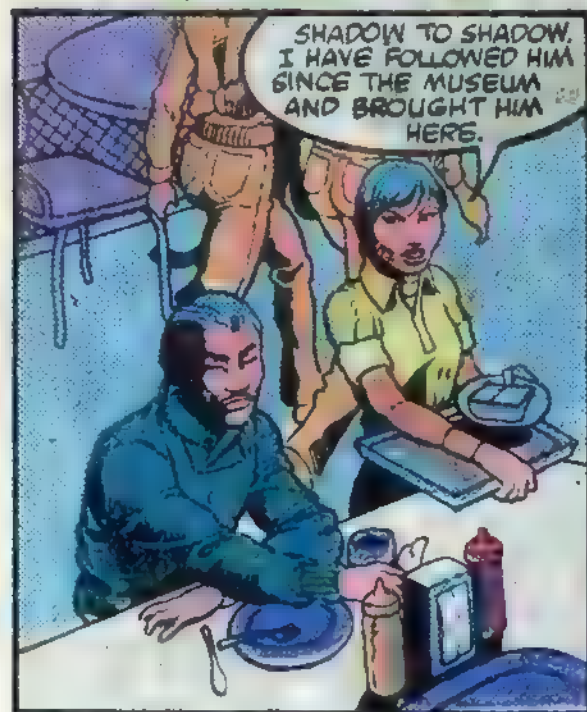
OH, PLEASE-- LET ME QUICKLY
SERVE A FEW TABLES AND
THEN-- TELL YOU WHAT-- WE
CAN EVEN DISCUSS "ZEN AND
THE ART OF MOTORCYCLE
MAINTENANCE." GREAT BOOK,
RIGHT DOWN YOUR ALLEY.

HA! ALL RIGHT,
I WILL STAY A
LITTLE LONGER.

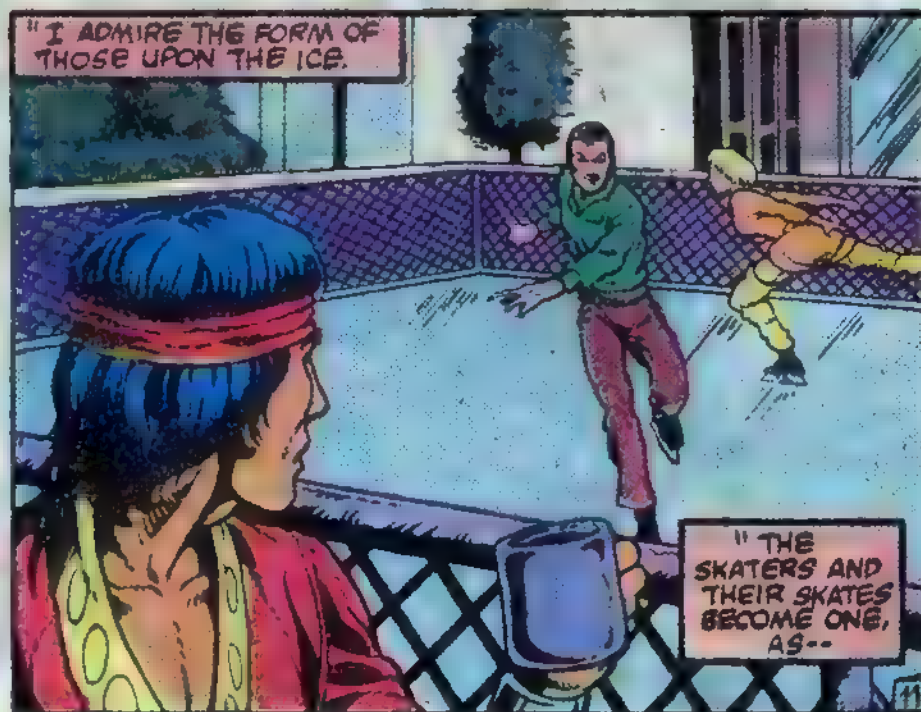


AND I'LL BE
RIGHT BACK.

"LORNA IS A WOMAN OF HIGH SPIRITS,
AND HER FOOD AND TALK
HAVE REFRESHED ME. WHEN SHE
RETURNS I WILL THANK HER, THEN
LEAVE TO CONTINUE MY SEARCH FOR
MY MIND ONCE AGAIN RUNS CLEAR.



SHADOW TO SHADOW.
I HAVE FOLLOWED HIM
SINCE THE MUSEUM
AND BROUGHT HIM
HERE.



"I ADMIRE THE FORM OF
THOSE UPON THE ICE.

"THE
SKATERS AND
THEIR SKATES
BECOME ONE,
AS--

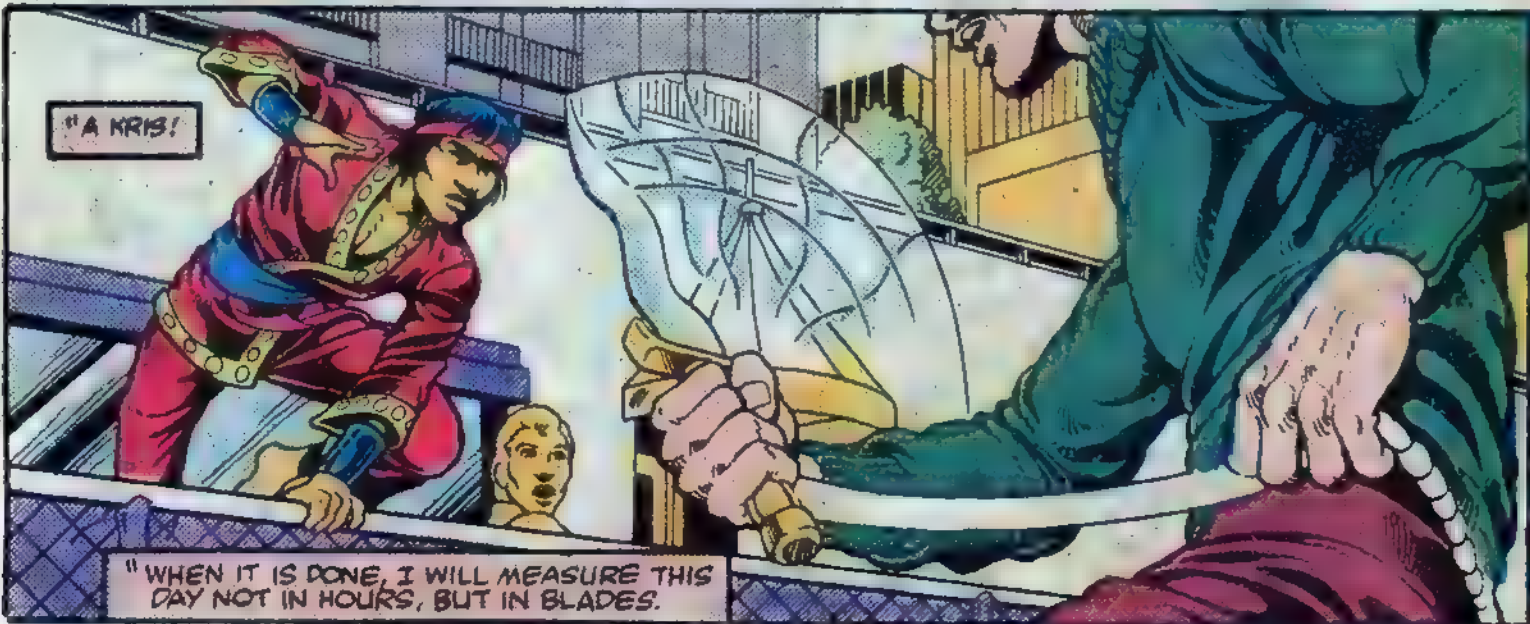
"-- SHURIKEN A
THROWING DART!"



"NOW MY MIND AND
BODY BECOME AS ONE."

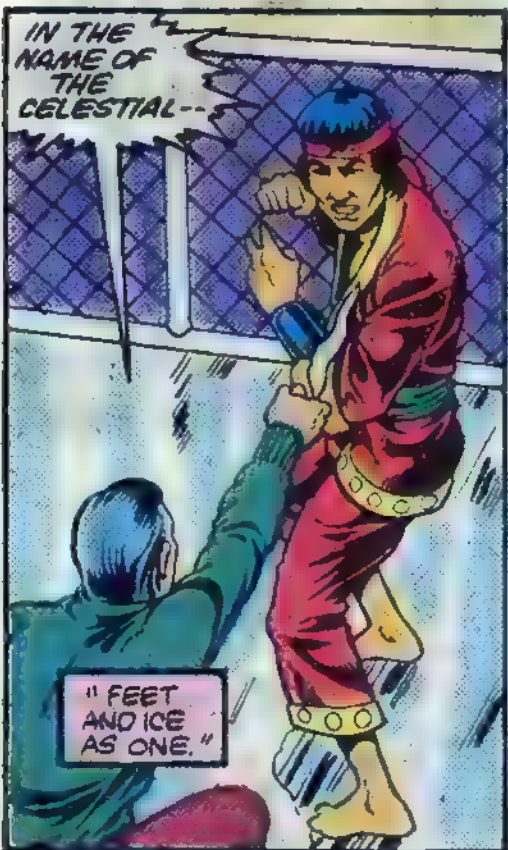


"A KRIS!"



"WHEN IT IS DONE, I WILL MEASURE THIS
DAY NOT IN HOURS, BUT IN BLADES."

IN THE
NAME OF
THE
CELESTIAL--



"FEET
AND ICE
AS ONE."



WHERE IS MY
MOTHER?

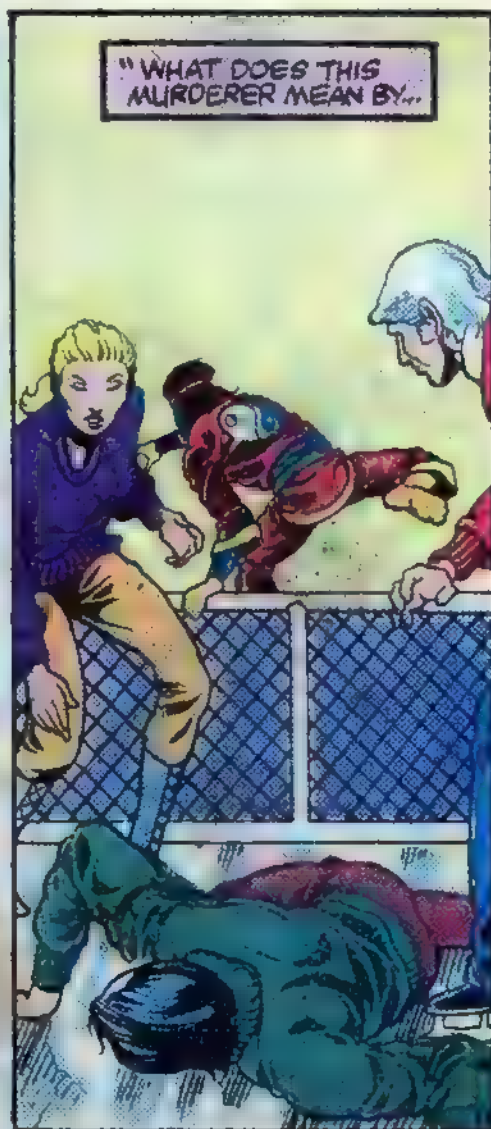
"I ASSAULT THIS VITAL POINT WITH
PRESSURE THAT IS PAIN." 12

"HE ABANDONS HONOR TO
COLD FEAR, AND THE WORDS
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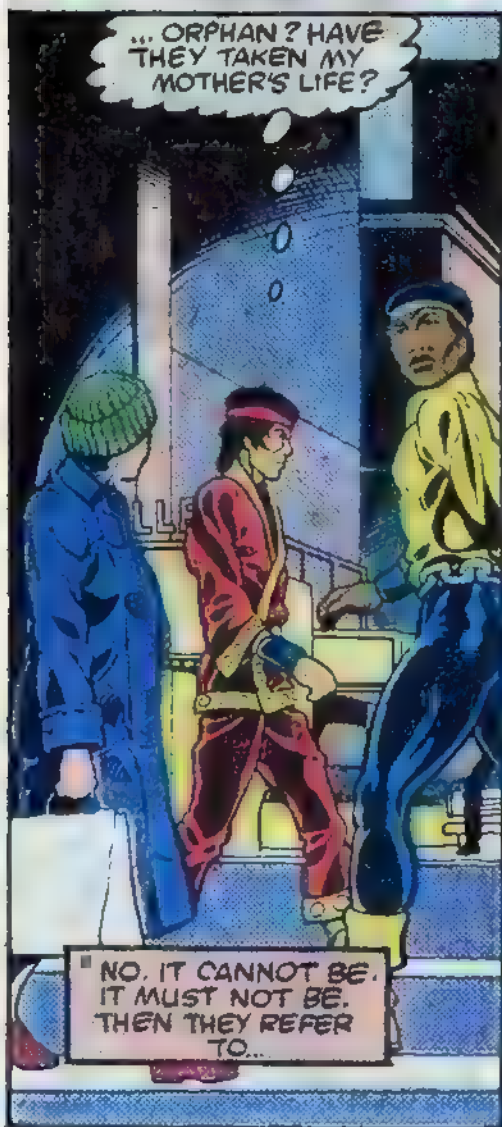
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"ORPHAN?"



"WHAT DOES THIS
MURDERER MEAN BY..."

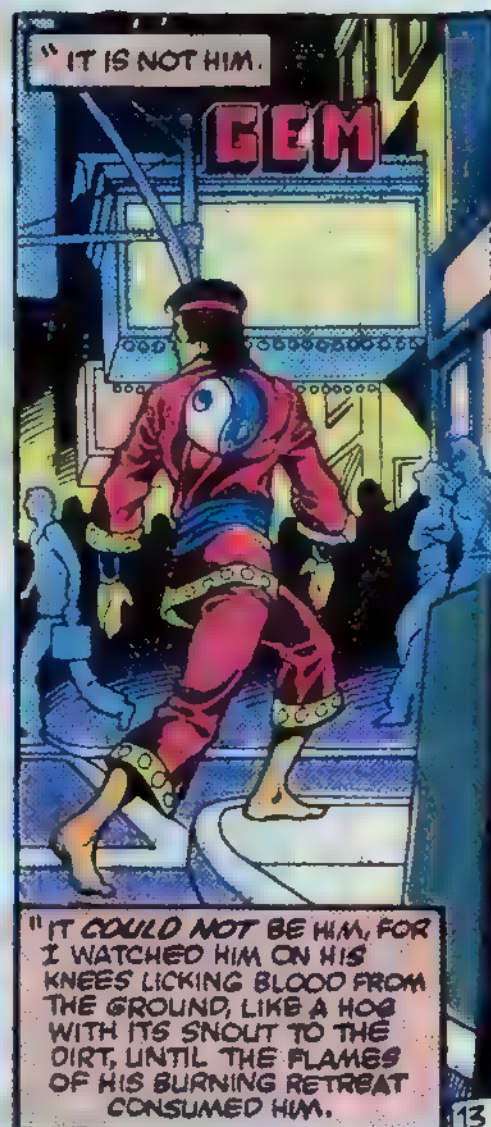


... ORPHAN? HAVE
THEY TAKEN MY
MOTHER'S LIFE?

"NO. IT CANNOT BE.
IT MUST NOT BE.
THEN THEY REFER
TO..."



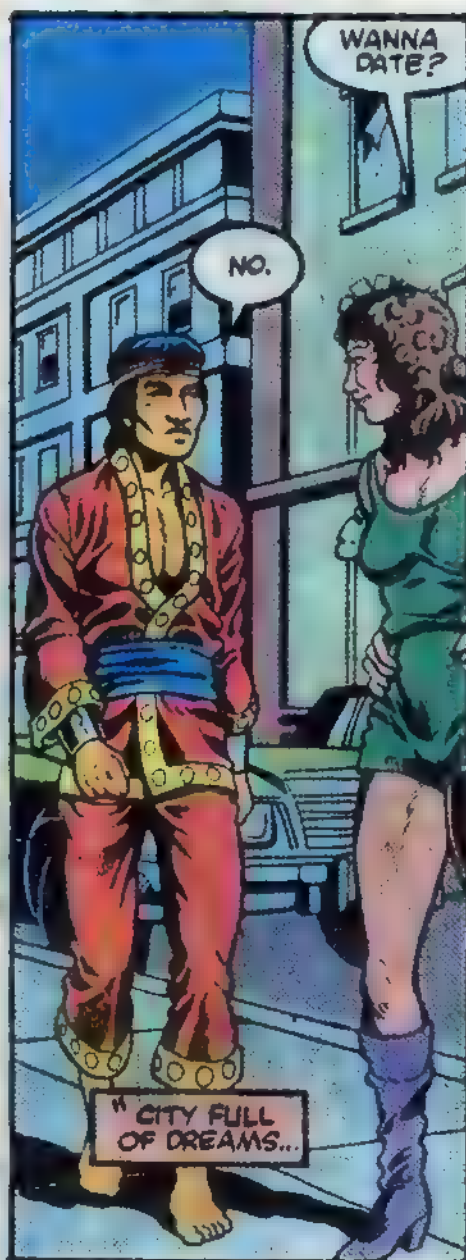
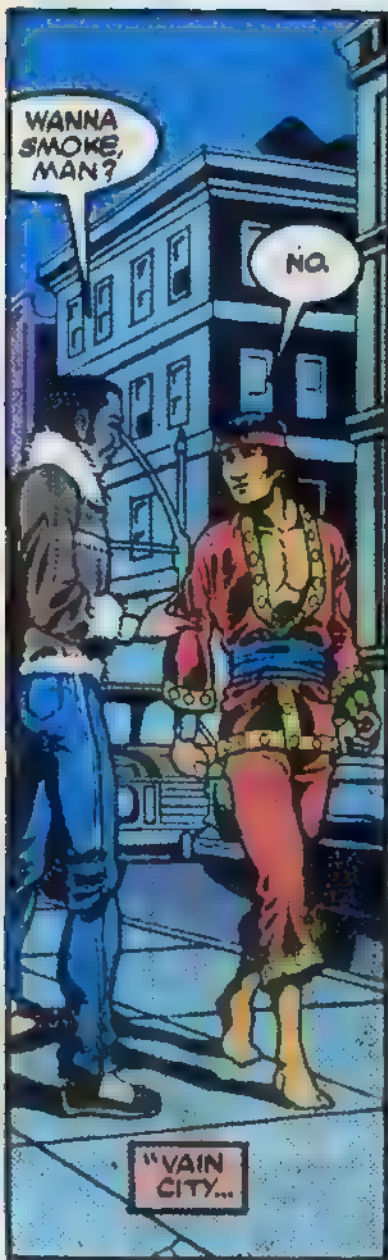
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FATHER?
ALIVE?



"IT IS NOT HIM."

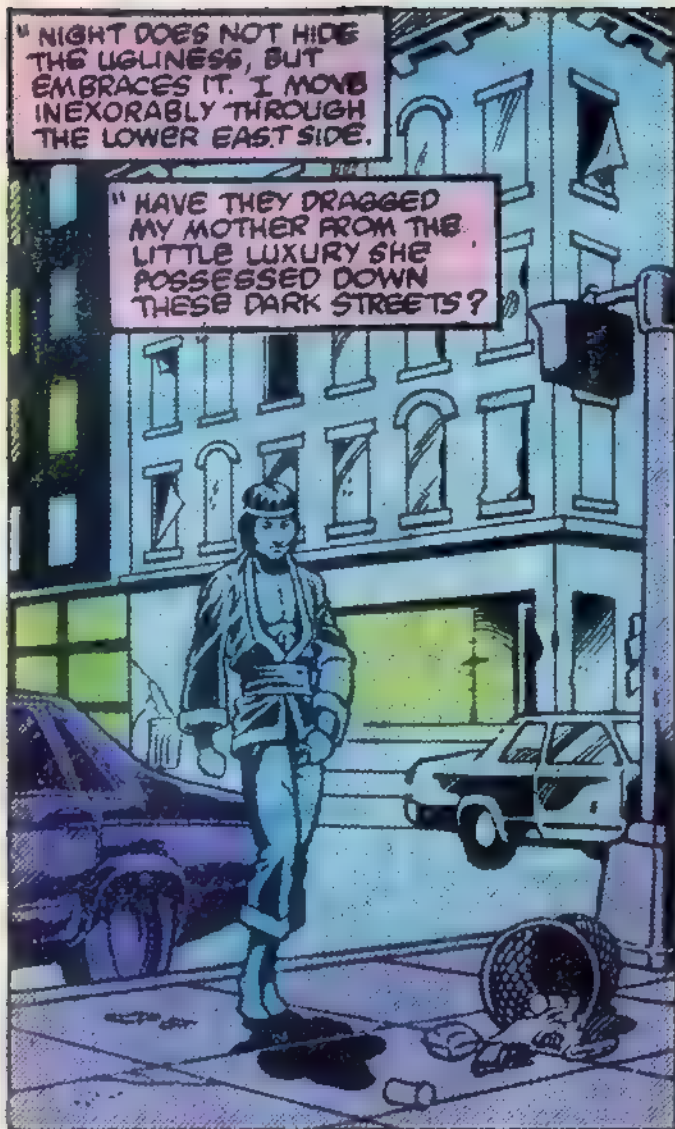
GEM

"IT COULD NOT BE HIM, FOR
I WATCHED HIM ON HIS
KNEES LICKING BLOOD FROM
THE GROUND, LIKE A HOG
WITH ITS SNOUT TO THE
DIRT, UNTIL THE FLAMES
OF HIS BURNING RETREAT
CONSUMED HIM."



"NIGHT DOES NOT HIDE THE UGLINESS, BUT EMBRACES IT. I MOVE INEXORABLY THROUGH THE LOWER EAST SIDE.

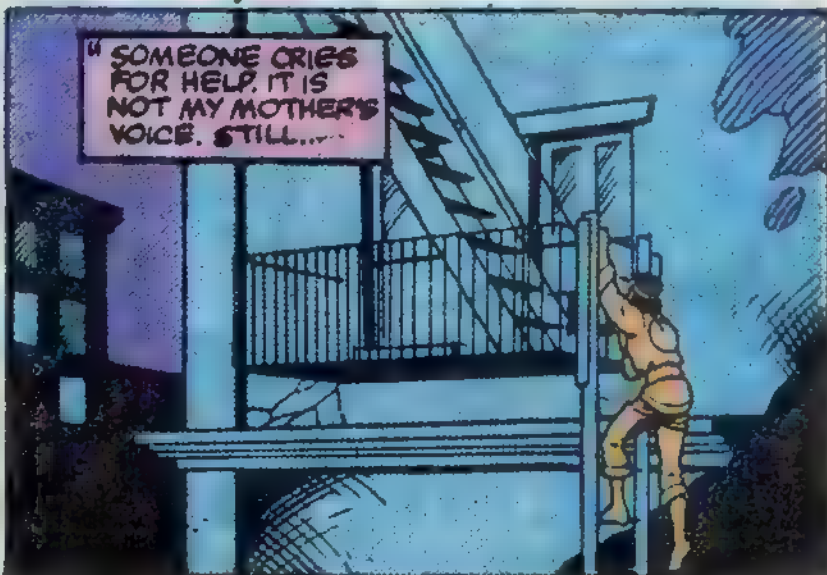
"HAVE THEY DRAGGED MY MOTHER FROM THE LITTLE LUXURY SHE POSSESSED DOWN THESE DARK STREETS?"



NO! NO! YOU CAN'T DO THIS TO ME, RUDY! HELP ME, SOMEONE!



"SOMEONE CRIES FOR HELP. IT IS NOT MY MOTHER'S VOICE. STILL...."



I'M WARNING YOU, PA! WHERE'S THE CASH FROM TODAY'S PAYCHECK? WHERE'S THE BANKBOOK? ANSWER ME, PA! I SAID ANSWER ME!



"A GUN..."

"I SUMMON ALL GENTLENESS TO MY VOICE--"

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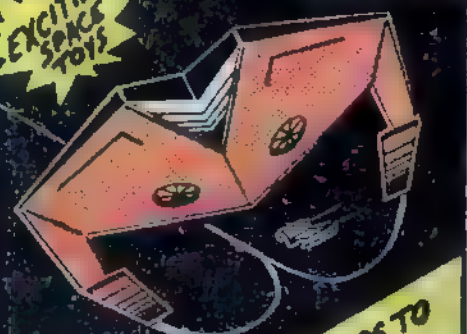
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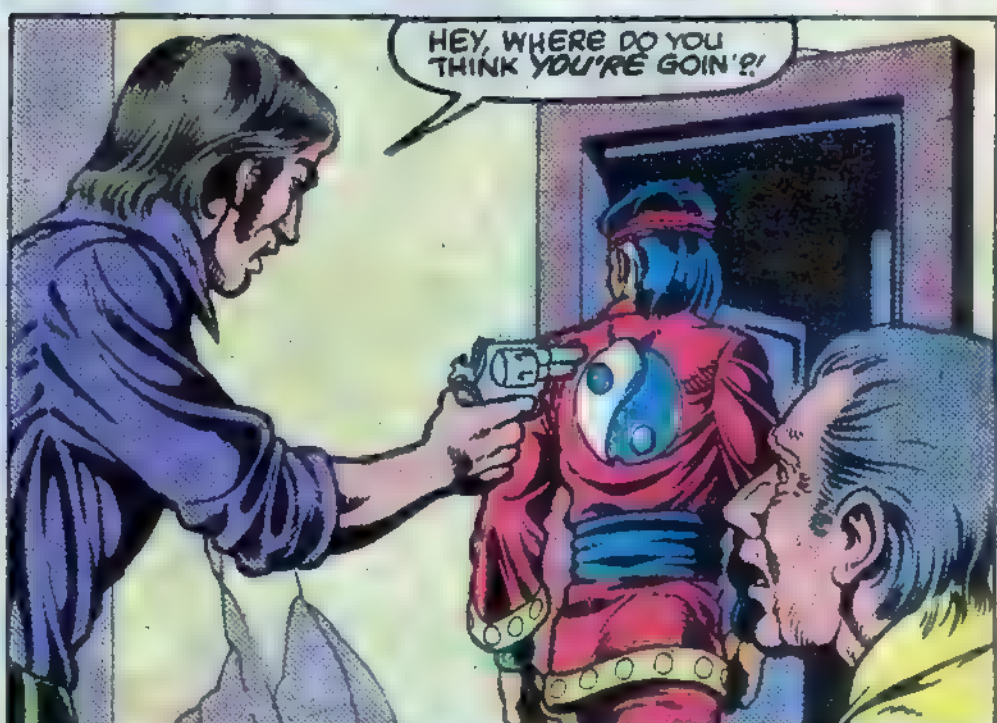
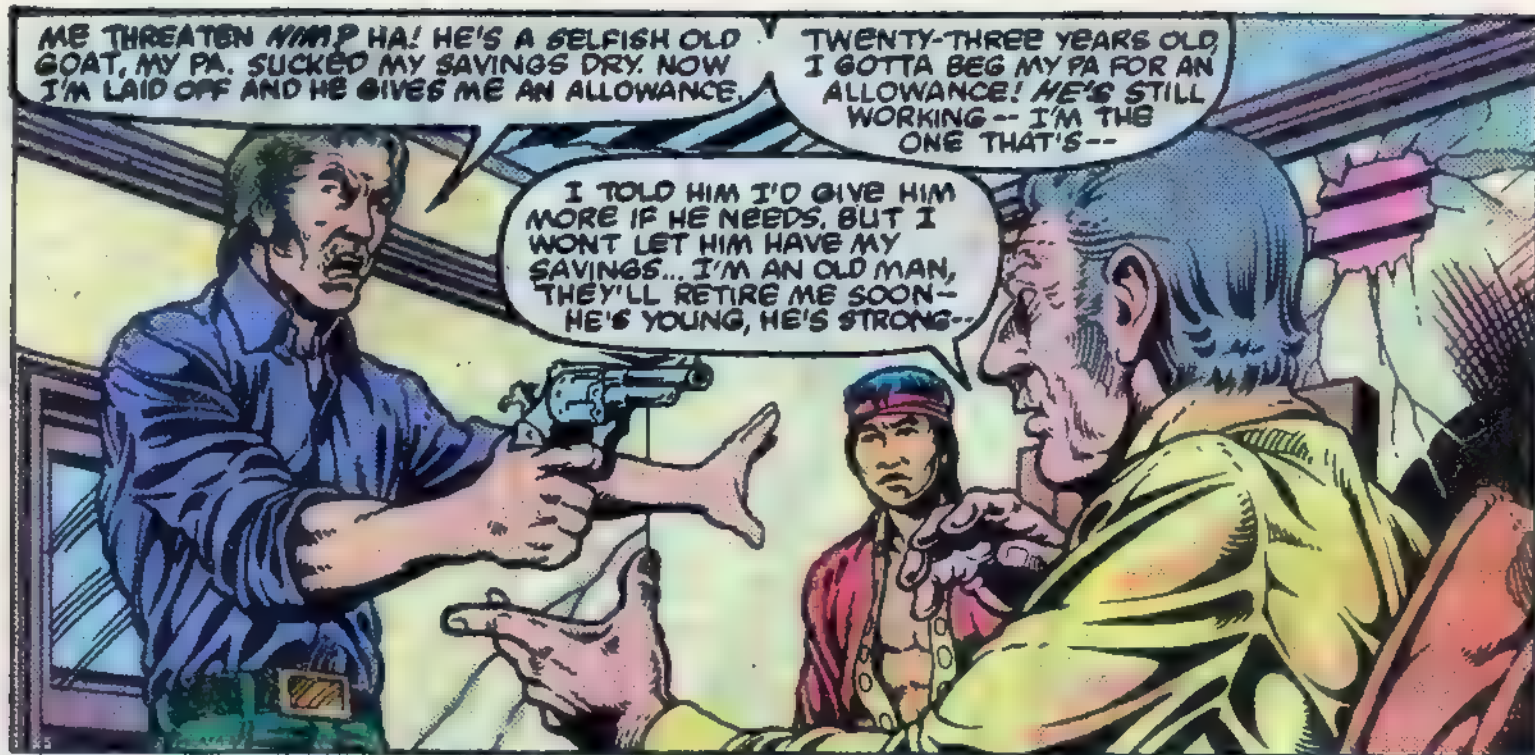
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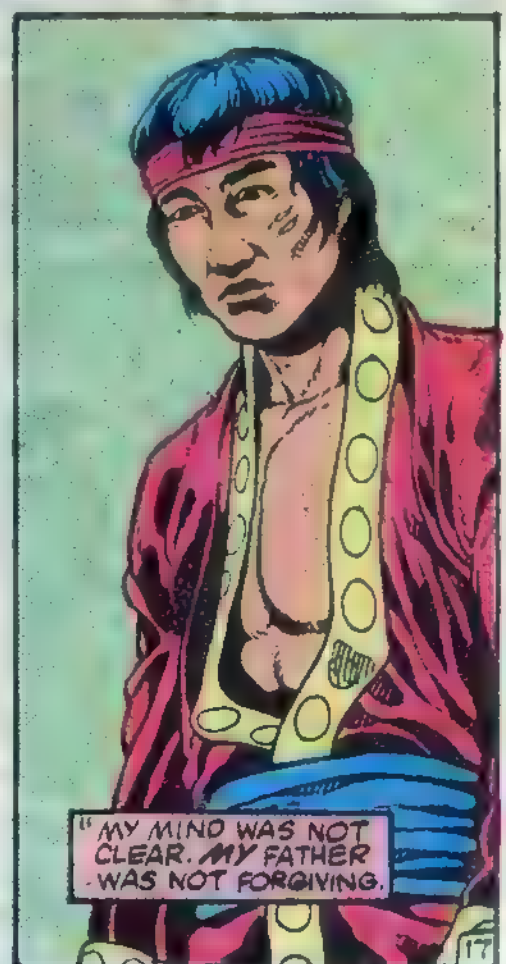
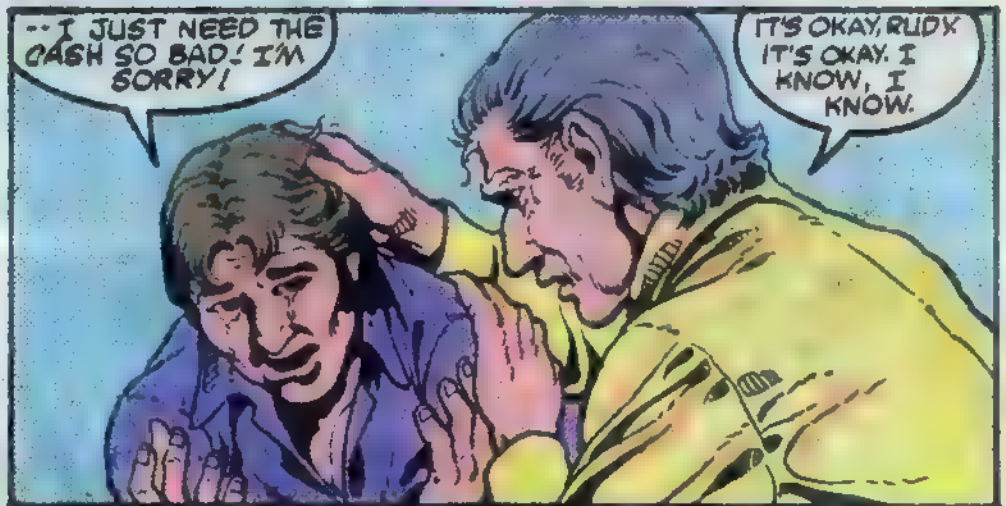
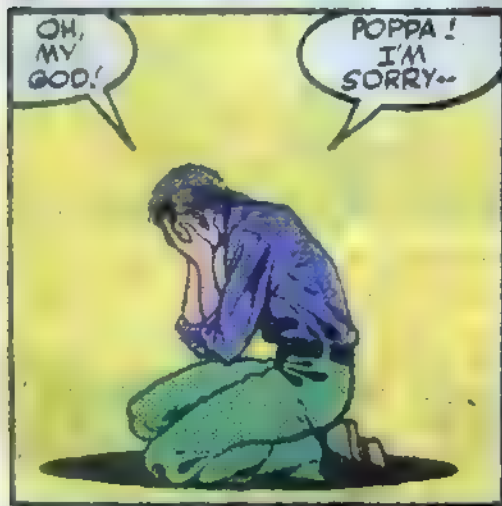
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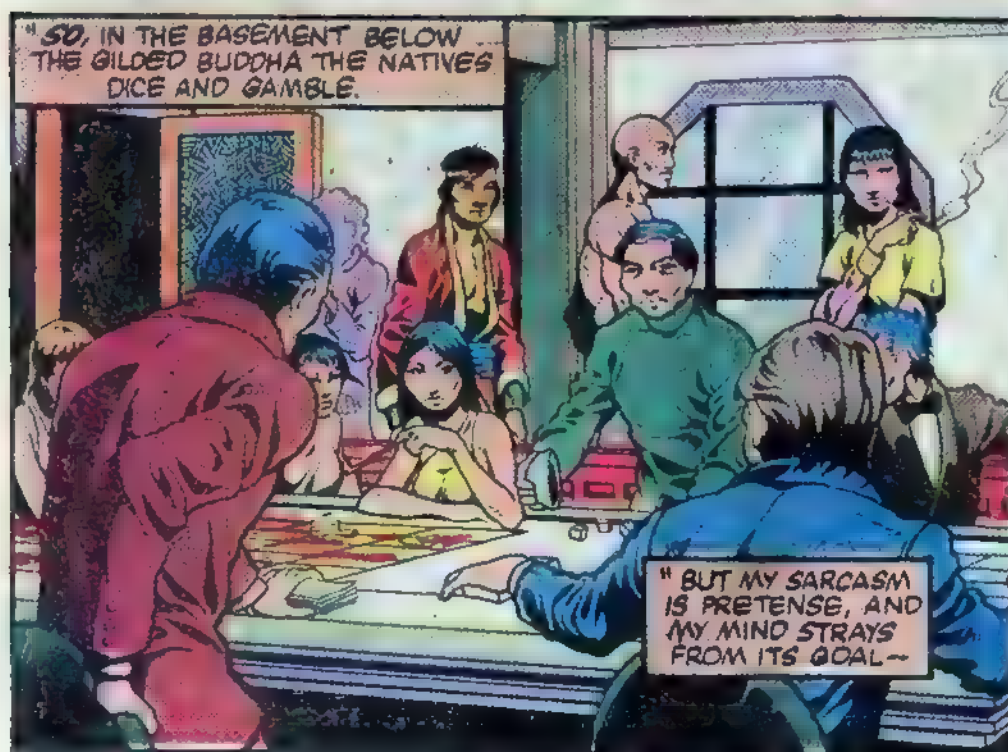
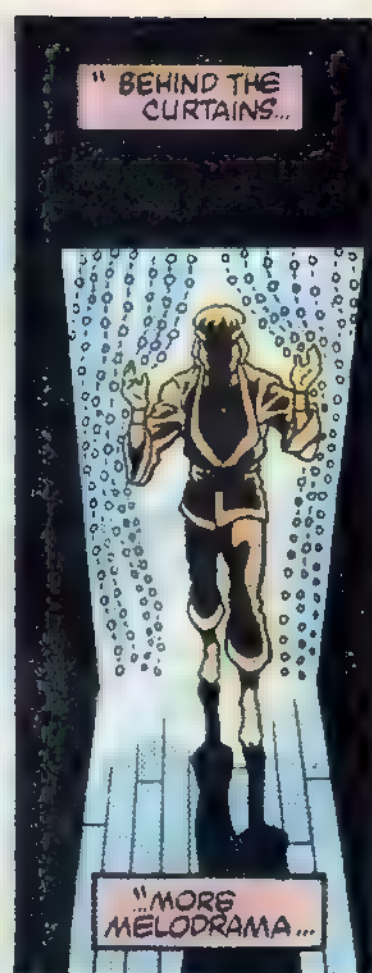
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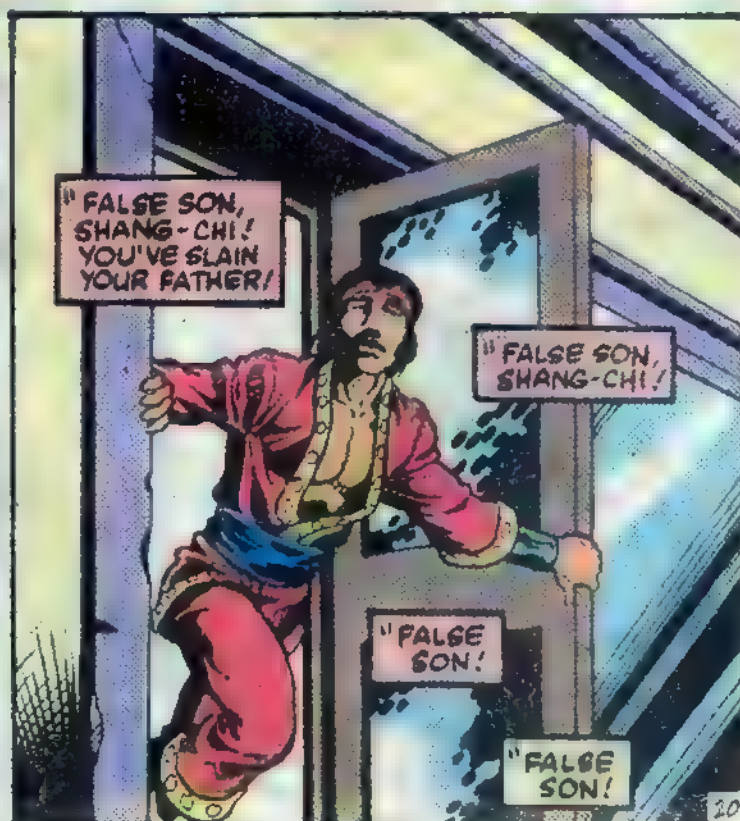
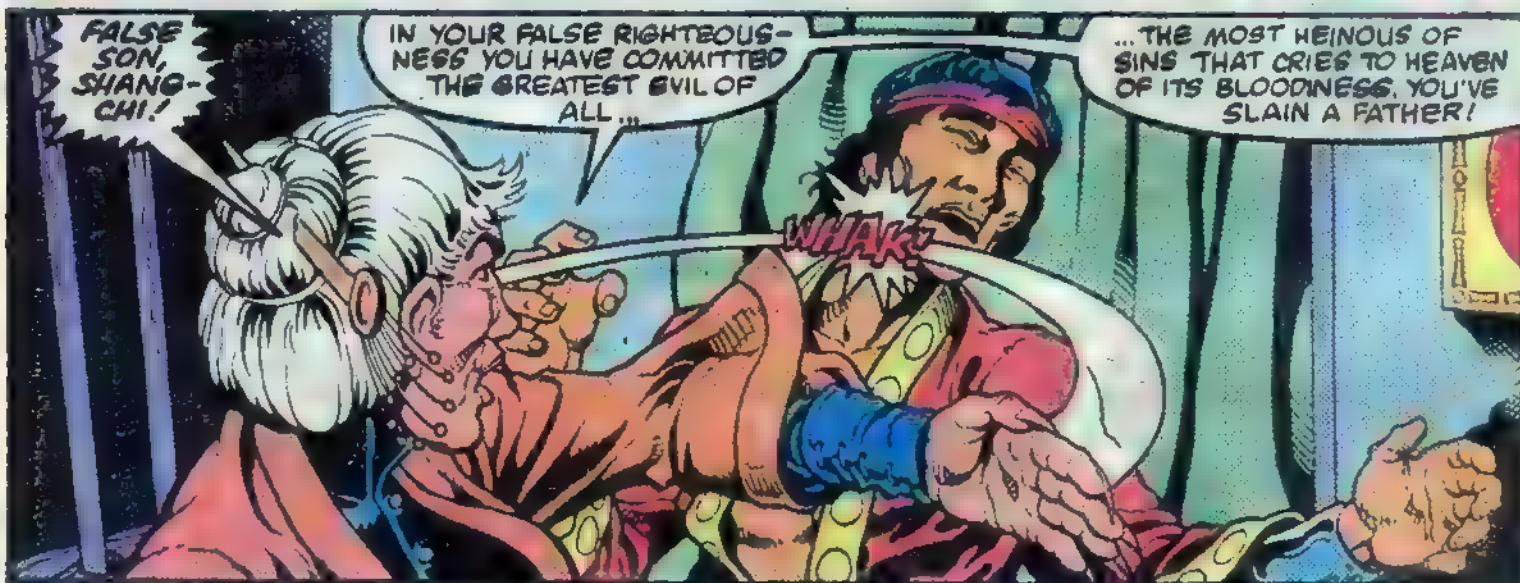
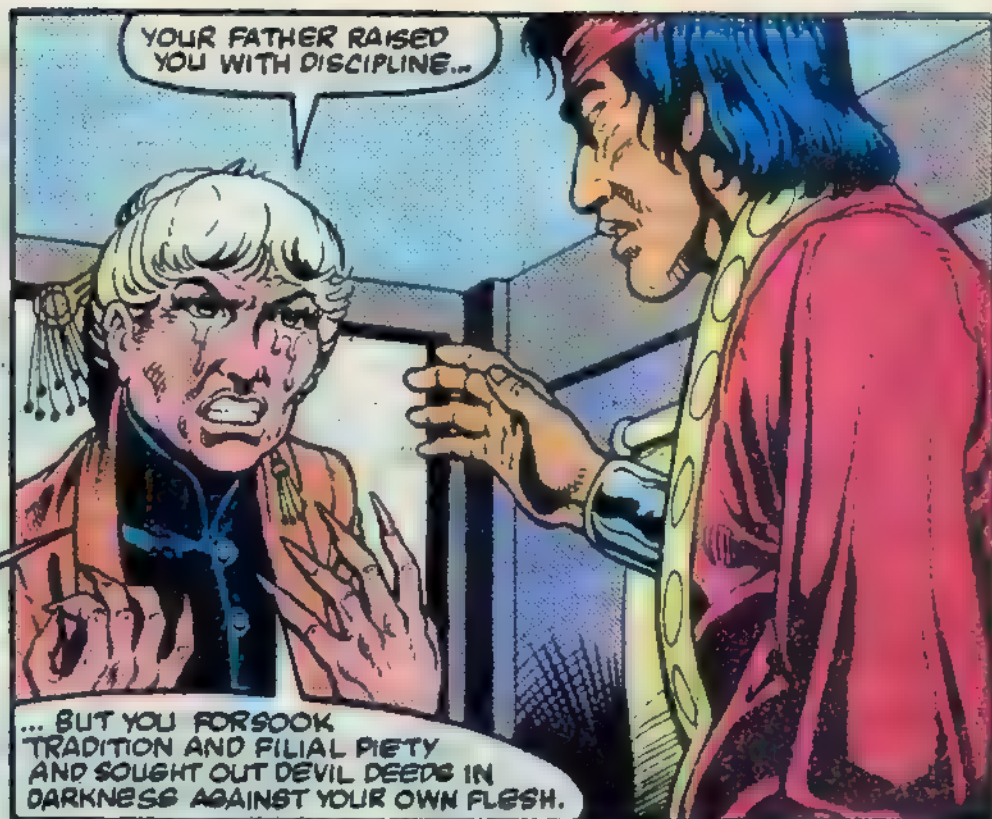
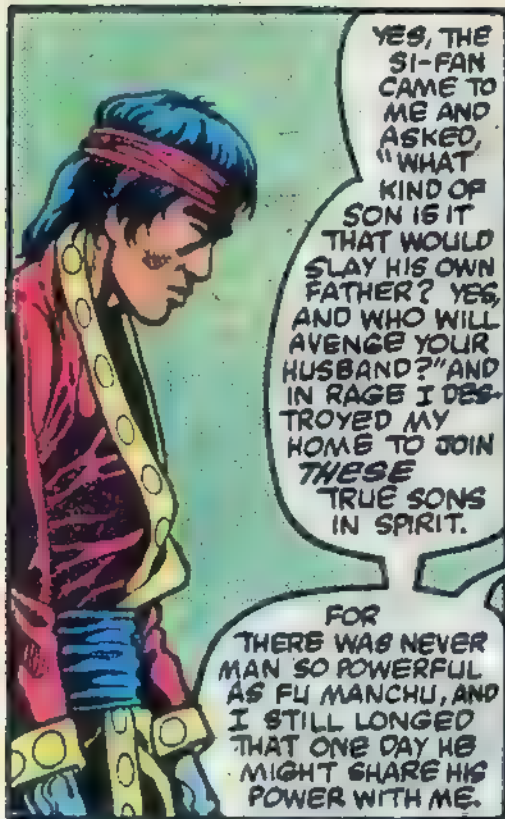


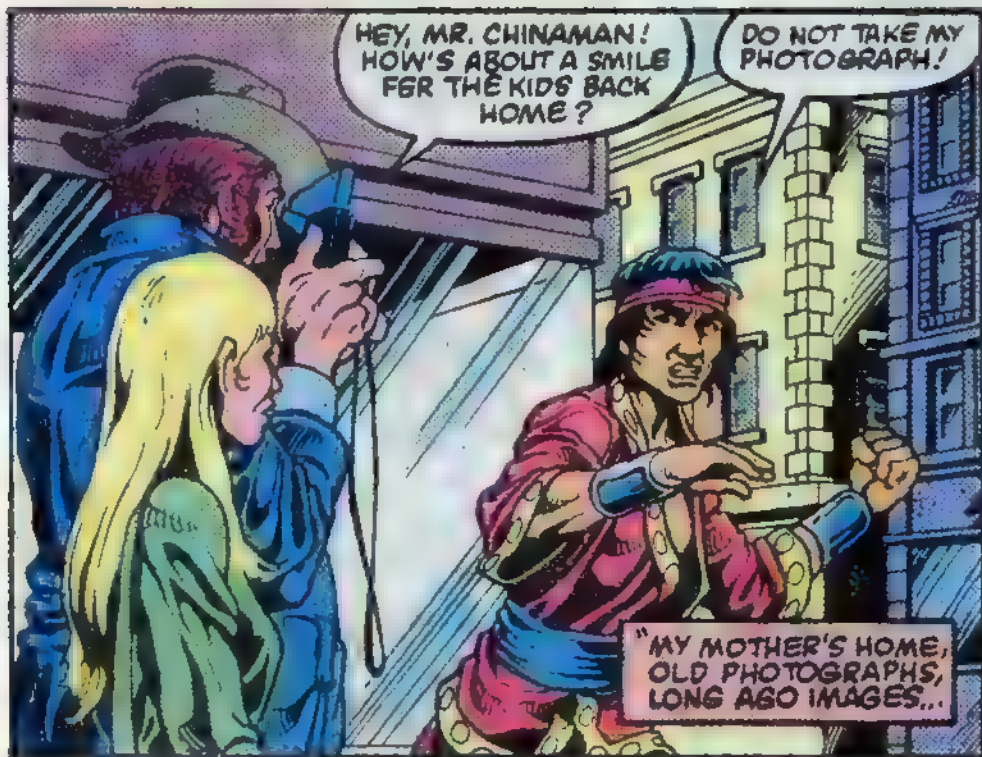




THE SI-FAN CAME TO ME BEFORE YOU, TOLD ME OF YOUR DEED, AND BID ME JOIN THEM AS THE LAST OF THE FAMILY WHO HAD RETAINED TIES WITH THEIR LEADER, FU MANCHU.







BULPEN BULLETINS

I'M BACK!

I hope you enjoyed last month's guest column by David Michelinie, who happens to be the brilliant, superstar scripter of *The Further Adventures of Indiana Jones*, among other things. And, in case you've forgotten me, I am Jim Shooter, Editor in Chief of Marvel Comics. That means I'm the boss here, folks! Neat, huh?

REQUEST OF THE MONTH

Ever since I mentioned *Shooter's Law of Mail* in one of my columns, I've been asked again and again if I've established any other "laws" governing Marvel Comics, and, if so, what are they. Okay. You asked for it, you got it. Here are some of...

SHOOTER'S LAWS

The First Law of Fair Play

No one works for free. Anyone who does any work assigned by a Marvel Editor will be fairly paid. No exceptions.

The Second Law of Fair Play

A creator's time is valuable. If we waste any of it, we pay fairly for it.

The Third Law of Fair Play

All creative people will be treated equally and fairly. There will be no caste system — no elite with special privileges and unfair advantages over other creators. Every person has equal rights. Editors will make creative judgments based upon a creator's work, not upon his name, or reputation. No one "deserves" special rights or privileges. Any special treatment granted to one creator is a stab in the back to all others.

The First Law of Mail

All mail must be opened and read by the person to whom it is addressed. No exceptions.

The Second Law of Mail

Mail from readers and fans should be treated with interest and respect. Those letters are from the people we work for. They're our bosses.

The Law of Dealing With Readers and Fans in Person

This should be done as often as possible, at conventions, comics stores, and anywhere else. Again, we work for these people, and they should be treated accordingly.

The Law of the Creation of Comics

There are no rules governing or limiting creativity. There is nothing which *must* be done and nothing which *cannot* be done. All things are possible. If something works, it works. If it doesn't work, never say it can't. There is a way. Try everything.

That's a few of them. There are others, of course. Maybe someday I'll list some more.

WORD HAS REACHED ME...

...that in a poll of British fans conducted by *Worlds Collide*, a classy British fan magazine, Marvel titles, series, and creators won every single category for which they were eligible. As you might expect, *Daredevil* and *The X-Men* were the big vote-getters. Thanks, Britain!

THAT'S IT...

...for now. Next month, be sure to tune in for a special feature — the first (and quite possibly the last!) interview to be published in this column. I'm going to be asking probing questions of the man who has more copies of his work in print than any other human being in the history of the world. That's right, the most widely published creator (of anything) in history — and, no, folks, it isn't Stan Lee. Not even close.

Till then,

Jim Shooter

Jim Shooter

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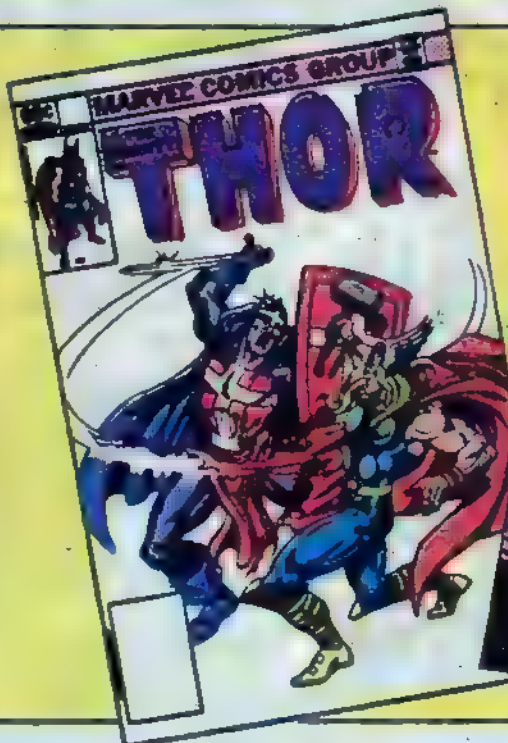
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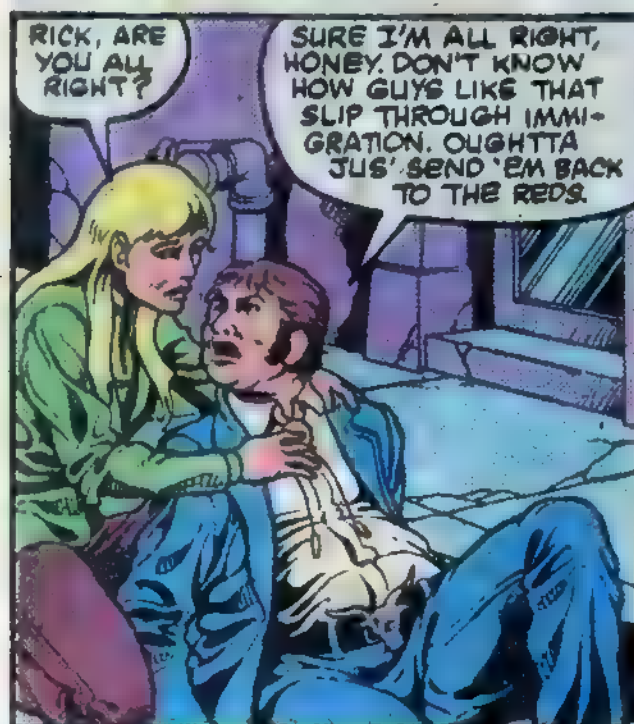




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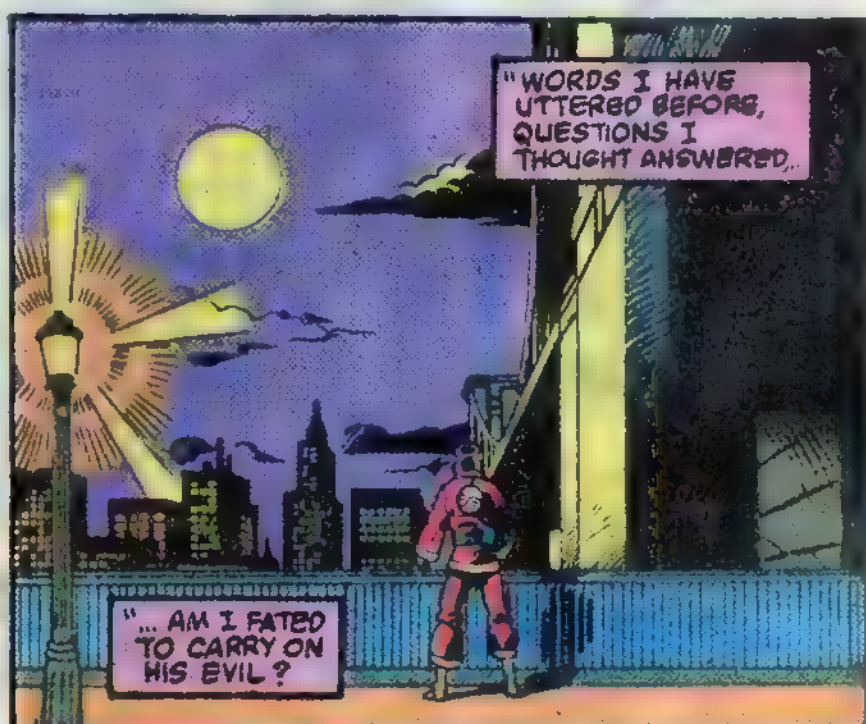
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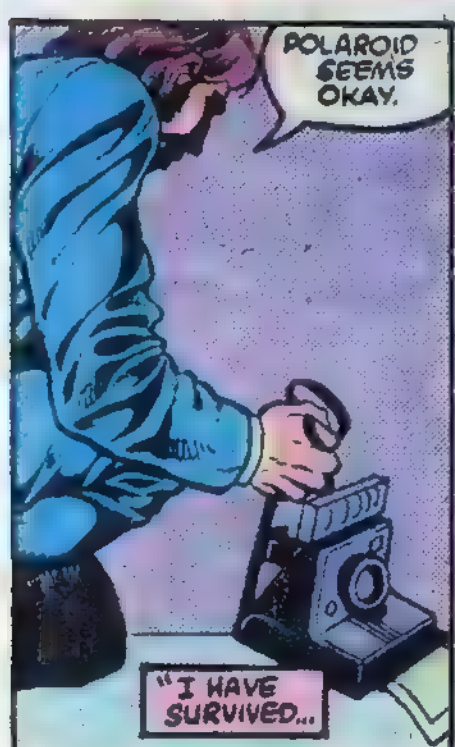
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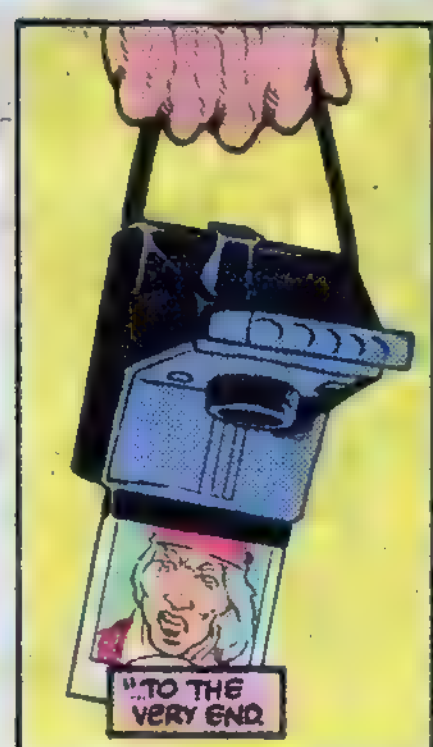
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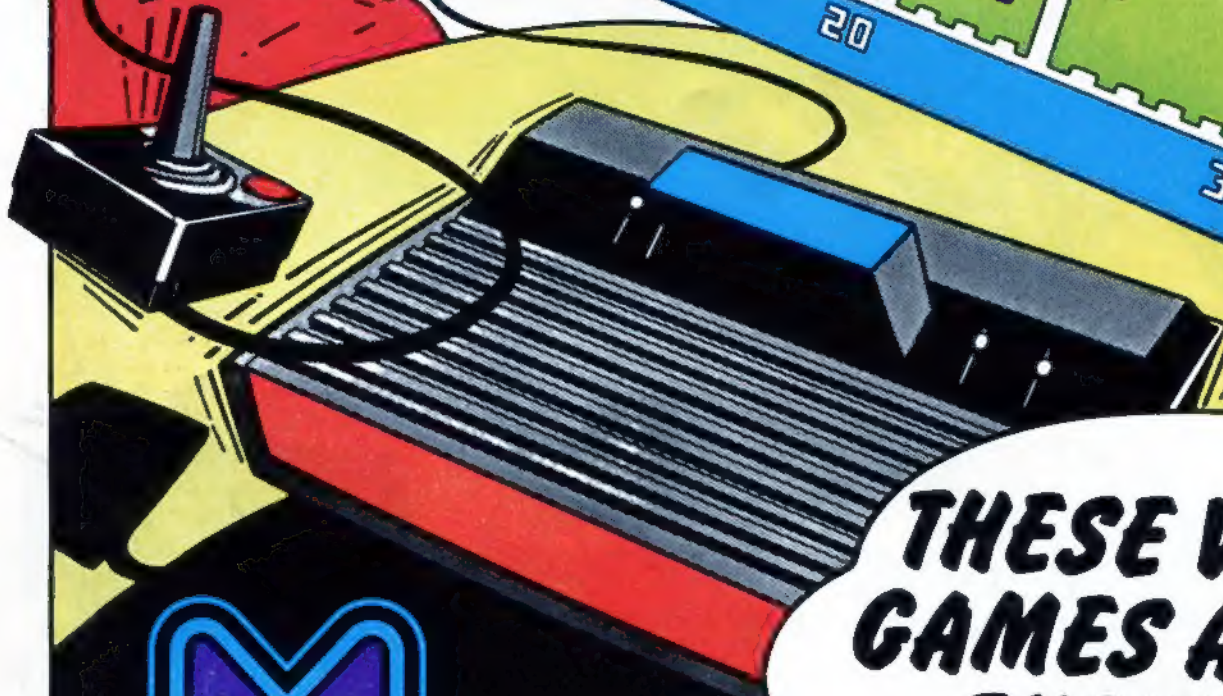
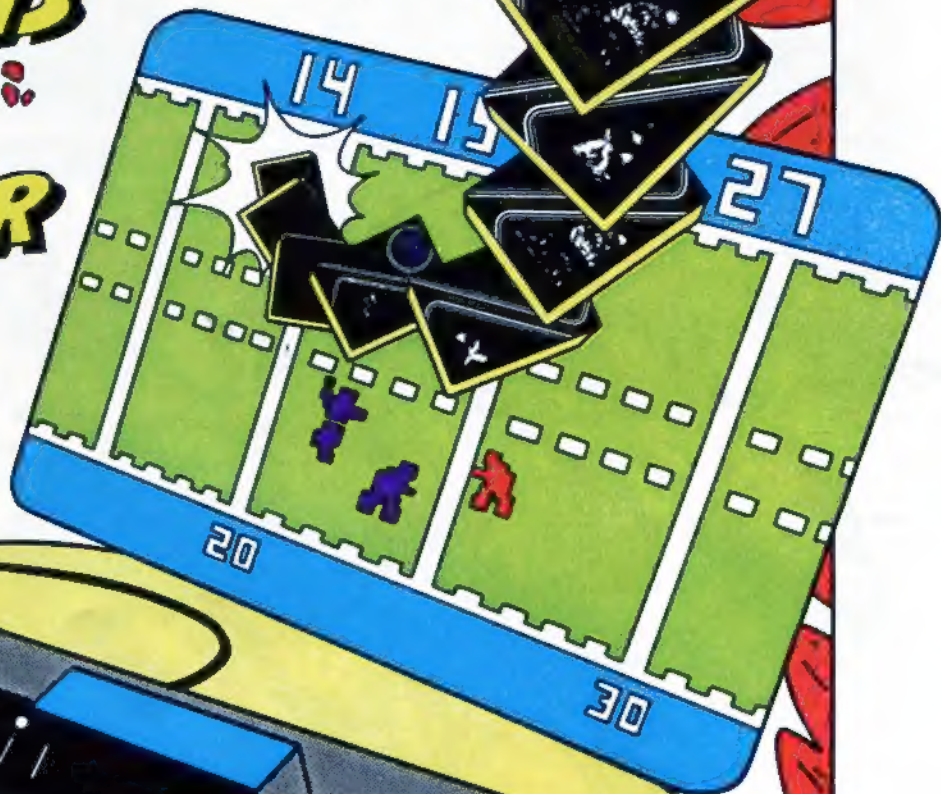
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